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## "McMansions" Code Tabled as Planners Await 2006 Enactment

After fielding numerous concerns from residents, Princeton Borough Council decided to table the introduction of an ordinance aimed, in part, to curb so-called "McMansions."

Council did not reschedule an introduction, citing a busy agenda through the remainder of the year. Any introduction would likely occur sometime early next year.

For nearly a year-and-a-half, Council and the Regional Planning Board have weighed creating a law that limits large homes to be built on disproportionately small lots — homes that, many residents feel, are out of character with the surrounding neighborhoods.

While the proposed measure has received some praise from those living in denser Borough neighborhoods, residents in the Borough's R-1 zoning district comprising the Borough's western section maintain that limiting square-footage will only hurt property values. They feel that any law should focus instead on Floor Area Ratio (FAR), and be more property-specific.

"There's no concept of the economic impact that this change in zoning will have on the Borough," said Phil Lian, a Hodge Road resident speaking last Tuesday at Council's hearing.

"This type of ordinance will take away a great deal of opportunity for additional tax revenue in the Borough," he said, adding that the proposed zoning code is "extremely discriminatory" toward those living in the R-1 and R-4 zones, where lot sizes are larger.

Terence Smith, an architect known in Princeton for his design of Triumph Brewing Co. on Nassau Street, praised the philosophical aim of the ordinance, but feared that stringent limitations on building on one's lot would create an impenetrable mass of red tape as residents seek building variances. He also suggested that the proposed law "might grind the entire process to a halt and cost more money."

But Lee Solow, Planning Board director, said the ordinance as proposed was not punitive or discriminatory, but a mechanism to restrain neighborhoods from straying too far from the original zoning. Square-footage limits in the code, he added, "are liberal," pointing

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## Monument Lit as Mayor Recovers

As nearly 60 municipal officials, volunteers, and assorted residents gathered at dusk Sunday to witness the temporary lighting of the Revolutionary War Monument, the man who said one of his goals as mayor was to see the monument permanently lit could not be present.

Mayor Joseph O'Neill was resting comfortably at home after a routine electrocardiogram 12 days ago showed that he had experienced a heart attack, the 71-year-old mayor said in an interview Thursday.

The mayor, who is also undergoing

treatment as he battles leukemia, had been absent from Borough Council and Regional Planning Board meetings in recent weeks. Mr. O'Neill said last week that he wanted to attend Sunday evening's event, depending on how he felt. During the ceremony, members of Council offered him well-wishes, confident about his return to duty.

Council President Mildred Trotman, who filled in for Mr. O'Neill at the past two Council hearings, also presided over the event that honored Borough volunteers.

On Thursday, Mr. O'Neill quickly

brushed off any doubt that he would return to govern and praised the efforts underway to get the monument permanently lit.

"It's going to spruce up not just the area around the Borough Hall, but what it really does is extend the reach of Nassau Street and helps local businesses as people will be more willing to wander further down as they see the monument lit."

This is the second attempt to bring light to the monument. Some twelve years ago, then-Mayor Marvin Reed, who was on-hand for Sunday's event, tried to get the monument lit, but at the time, the state would not include lighting in its cleaning plans. The monument is slated to undergo a six-month, state-run cleaning project beginning in spring 2006.

"Over the years, all of us on Council have commented on just how impressive the monument would be if it were illuminated," said Ms. Trotman.

Mr. O'Neill has orchestrated a campaign to cover the price tag of approximately \$125,000.

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## Gates Receives Award, Eyes the Golden Age Of PCs, and Beyond

Speaking to a capacity audience at Richardson Auditorium on the Princeton University campus Friday, Microsoft founder Bill Gates dubbed the current era the "Golden Age of computers and software coming together" as he accepted Princeton University's second annual Crystal Tiger Award — a student-issued honor awarded to inspiring leaders and thinkers that was first given in February 2004 to then-Secretary of State Colin Powell.

In his 35-minute presentation, Mr. Gates focused on the evolution of the personal computer and the technological advancements in the computing field anticipated over the next 10 years, from increases in global access from one's hand-held device to an eventual departure from so-called "paper-based" systems.

The idea that software is the key missing element in any advance in hardware was a predominant theme Friday, along with the notion that

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**MAYOR'S ABSENCE NOTED AT MONUMENT LIGHTING:** After suffering a heart attack, Princeton Borough Mayor Joe O'Neill rested at home as a ceremony honoring community volunteers accompanied the temporary lighting of the Revolutionary War Monument at Borough Hall. The eventual permanent lighting, with an estimated pricetag of \$125,000, has been a goal under Mr. O'Neill's administration.

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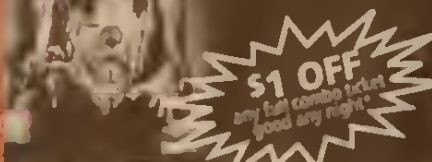
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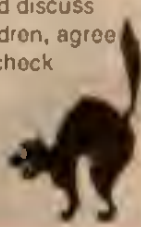
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**CREATING A SAFE HAVEN:** Princeton University students Sean Mahen (front) and Brian Harster participate in a clean up of Lake Carnegie on Sunday that brought out upwards of 20 students and residents. The event was organized by the Princeton University Chapter of NJ Community Water Watch, an organization that educates the public about water quality problems in New Jersey and provides ways for individuals to be part of the solution.

(Photo by Phil Cruckshank)

## University Students, Residents Help Keep Princeton's Water Clean

Twenty bags of trash, three lawn chairs, and a tire were collected from Lake Carnegie on Sunday, when more than 20 Princeton University students and community members got together to clean up the area that not only adjoins the University's campus, but is also used for residential drinking water.

to Water Watch are Rutgers University, Rider University, and Richard Stockton College.

"It is wonderful to see community members acting as stewards of our local environment," said Rep. Rush Holt (D-12), who, while unable to attend the clean up, is a strong advocate of keeping Princeton's waters clean. "Lake Carnegie and the D & R Canal are important natural and recreational

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## TOPICS Of the Town

The clean up was organized by NJ Community Water Watch in association with the Princeton in the Nation's Service (PINS) project, which has selected October as the month to celebrate community service at Princeton University and uphold the school's unofficial motto: "In the nation's service and in the service of all nations."

Among the participants was one resident who rode his bike over after seeing a sign about the clean up in Small World Coffee, as well as several students who heard about it on campus. One Princeton family also participated with their two small children, who teamed up to fill two bags of trash.

Some of the items that the volunteers found along the water's edge were remnants of take out food and upwards of 30 tennis balls, as well as styrofoam peanuts and bits of styrofoam cups.

"Who knows how long that stuff has been there since styrofoam takes literally millions of years to completely biodegrade," said Lexi Gelperin, the Princeton campus organizer for NJ Community Water Watch.

The organization is sponsored by NJPIRG (New Jersey Public Interest Research Group) and AmeriCorps, with student chapters at 11 colleges and universities around the state. Water Watch educates the public about water quality problems in New Jersey and provides ways for individuals to be part of the solution. Along with Princeton, other schools connected

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Candidates Forum 2005, a meeting of candidates seeking elected office in Princeton Borough and Princeton Township will take place tonight, October 19 at 7 p.m. in the Community Room of the Princeton Public Library.

The forum, co-sponsored by Town Topics, the Princeton Area League of Women Voters, and the Princeton Public Library, will focus on key local issues that have risen in this election season.

Seven candidates are seeking either election or re-election next month. For Borough Council, they are: Democrat Incumbents David Goldfarb and Mildred Trotman; and Independent candidate Joshua Leinsdorf. Though an Independent, Mr. Leinsdorf's name will appear in the Republican column on the ballot. For Township Committee, they are: Democrats Vicky Bergman and Incumbent Bernie Miller; and Republicans Gordon Bryant and Thomas Pyle.

Kate O'Neill, of Pennington, will moderate the event. The format will consist of introductory statements by the candidates, questions from the floor that will be screened by the moderator, and closing statements.

Key issues include: "McMansions"/residential zoning/neighborhood character preservation; development of hospital sites; affordable housing requirements; police department consolidation/shared municipal services; property tax increases and how they can be controlled; immigration; gangs and if gang activity in the region can be prevented; senior housing; transportation/sidewalks/roads.

## Wilson School Talk Covers Evangelicals and Politics

Michael Cromartie, vice president at the Ethics and Public Policy Center (EPPC) and director of the Evangelical Studies Project, will speak on "Evangelicals and American Politics: Assessing the Past, Scouting the Future" at 4:30 p.m., Monday, October 24, at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. Free and open to the public, the lecture will take place in Bowl 016, Robertson Hall, on the Princeton University campus.

In addition to his other duties at EPPC, Mr. Cromartie directs the Evangelicals in Civic Life and Religion, and the Media programs. In September 2004 Mr. Cromartie was nominated by President Bush for a two-year term on the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom.

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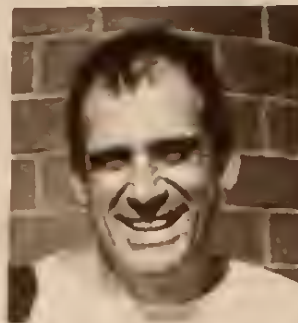
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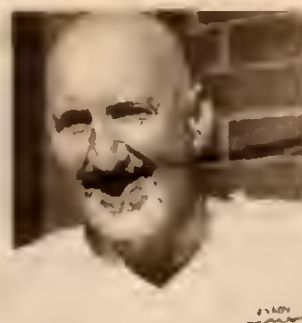
— Alan Kaplan, Erdman Avenue

*Editors note: The Angels lost their bid to reach the World Series Sunday night when they lost to the White Sox.*



"The Cardinals. They have a complete team and they are healthy except for third baseman Scott Rolen."

— Alex White, Lawrenceville Road



"The White Sox will win. They seem like a scrappy team and the way they win impresses me."

— Ashley Wright, Mt. Lucas Road



"The White Sox. They have the best pitching and I think the best team."

— Peter Peretzman, Magnolia Lane



"St. Louis. They have had an outstanding year and it is time to get the series in the mid-west."

— Mayor Phyllis Marchand



# Board Members Address Needs Of Those With Learning Disabilities

Following the Princeton Regional Schools' adoption last month of a set of goals that would address the needs of all students, particularly those with learning disabilities, members of the Board of Education met on Monday to discuss how they intend to improve the learning environment.

"After listening to parents and some of their concerns we realized there may not be a common understanding about what learning disabilities and dyslexia are," said the district's student services administrator, Agnes Golding, at the Board's program committee meeting.

Ms. Golding was asked to prepare a document for district staff detailing the types of existing learning disabilities and identify where teachers should seek help for a particular student.

"This [document] is not meant to address intervention....but what kinds of issues need red flags," she said, noting that while the district is not currently looking to provide specialized classes for those with learning disabilities like dyslexia, it is looking to help students find a specialized staff member who will best fit their needs.

"There are places these kids can go," said Ms. Golding, mentioning language and learning specialists as the main resources.

The district began examining the offerings available for students with learning disabilities this summer following concerns voiced by one Princeton parent, Bill Potter, who has a 14-year-old son with dyslexia. Among several other parents voicing concern at last month's Board meeting over the lack of help their children are receiving was K.P. Weseloh, whose two children are both showing signs of dyslexia.

At Monday's program committee meeting Ms. Weseloh questioned how the district decides a child's needs should be addressed, since her second grade son was placed in a reading recovery program she feels doesn't specifically meet his needs.

"There are so many qualified people in the school....but the system has lost its structure," she said, describing the many channels she had to go through to try to find help for her son.

After speaking with the speech and language teachers at each of the elementary schools, Ms. Golding said: "They all have their favorite ways of looking at these issues and they're all valid, but they're not uniform throughout the district."

Some of the other concerns that need to be examined by the district include finding ways to help learning disabled students whose parents are not involved in their education, as well as determining if some students with ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder) are

actually having trouble paying attention in school because of some undiscovered learning disability, said Ms. Golding.

One way these concerns can be met is through training both specialists and regular staff members to identify learning disabilities in children.

"Training is such an important piece of this whole thing," she said, adding that there are a number of learning disabled children who could be quite successful in the classroom if their teachers knew how to confront their problems.

Charlotte Bialek, chair of the program committee, emphasized that the district needs to come up with a chart that would help students through the proper channels when a learning disability has

been identified.

"At the high school, the guidance counselor is the best person to go to," said Gary Snyder, PHS principal.

Ms. Bialek added that she would like to see a book of guidelines put together for parents that would assist them in knowing how to identify learning disabilities in their children and what to do in those situations.

The program committee will continue to discuss the district's new goals, which will be tackled over the next three years, at its next meeting on November 14.

—Candace Braun

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**LIVING IN THE PC 'GOLDEN AGE':** Microsoft Corporation founder Bill Gates addresses the audience in an informal Q&A session following a prepared presentation. Mr. Gates, who came to Richardson Auditorium to receive Princeton University's Crystal Tiger Award, spoke on past advancements and the future of personal computers. University President Shirley Tilghman looks on.

(Photo courtesy of Princeton University)

## Gates Award!

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having the right software makes possible "the ability to connect to anywhere around the world."

Such possibilities, however, seemed out of reach in 1975, when Mr. Gates dropped out of Harvard as a junior to pursue the Microsoft enterprise with Paul Allen, a childhood friend.

"Computers at that point were very expensive and there were literally only thousands of them on the planet."

"People thought of them as intimidating," he said, adding that there was "no notion that this was something that you would personally use."

Mr. Gates highlighted the role of computers as political watchdogs making possible an unprecedented fact-checking system. "Even politically, when someone would try to repress information, these digital tools would ensure that information would get out and people would know the truth."

The first personal com-

puter had only 256 bites of memory — a long way from the current notebook standard of 512 megabytes. Mr. Gates cited a "factor of one million improvement" in memory capacity, adding that there have been commensurate increases in processing, bandwidth, disk space, and graphics.

The most demanding challenge in staying atop of the software game, Mr. Gates said, is being responsive to users' needs and recruiting people who can provide the degree of innovation Microsoft needs in order to be competitive.

While Steve Jobs and Apple operating systems are still a long way from leveling the playing field with Microsoft, Mr. Gates did offer a wink and a nudge when he said that Windows-based systems would support, yes, even your iPod — the highly-successful, Apple-manufactured music device.

The Gates presentation switched gears for the question and answer session following the prepared remarks. The first segment had the feel of a Microsoft product expo, but the informal session focused more on the intangibles of technological advancement in the computer software industry, and how that relates to issues of privacy, file sharing, and placing restrictions on the Internet.

"Privacy and security as a whole will always be difficult issues," he said, adding that more research on how privacy was defined and how to protect it was needed. He also pointed out that the prospect of digitizing medical records to make them available when needed was an important component of defining privacy's restraints.

"There are going to be huge issues of privacy," Mr. Gates said, referring to how blogs are done, digital-rights management, and getting society involved in electrical property. He predicted that change would come quickly and thus give a certain urgency to the privacy issue.

On file sharing, which has been a target of the music industry, Mr. Gates said a balance needs to be found

between someone who wants to put a product online for free, and someone who does it for a profit. He spoke of "looking for technology solutions" that would ensure that the needs of a musician or author are met.

He did warn, however, that too many restrictions imposed on file sharing would encourage more piracy. "I hope that some type of subscription models and very low-pricing will allow the best of both worlds." Mr. Gates suggested a combination of high-volume/low-price approach should ultimately complement free downloads.

## Global Knowledge

A longtime champion of education, Mr. Gates has donated more than \$2 billion to encourage education around the world through his and his wife's enterprise, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

While outlining his goal of bringing computers to the far reaches of the world, a goal that is still "a dream," Mr. Gates fielded the inevitable questions expressing the concern that computers may one day cancel out the basic functions of humankind. He said that while computers will continue to advance, innate human creative processes will most likely remain unchallenged.

Translating the emotive elements of poetry, for example, would be difficult for a Pentium 4 chip, Mr. Gates said: "Perhaps we'll never be good at that."

—Matthew Hersh

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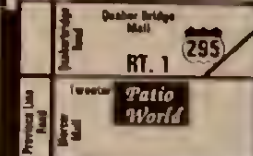
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## Democrats Say Princeton Stronghold Does Not Create Political Complacency

Princeton and Mercer County Democrats have some words for detractors of the party that has dominated local politics for the better part of a decade. "Just because we're the same party, doesn't mean we always agree."

Those words, spoken by Borough Council President Mildred Trotman as she seeks her seventh term on Council set the theme for a Princeton Community Democratic Organization event Sunday at the Suzanne Patterson Center in Princeton Borough.

"I don't take Princeton's recent track record of voting Democratic for granted," Ms. Trotman said.

Area Democrats are fighting to keep that stronghold in this year's elections, as key seats on the Board of Chosen Freeholders, the County Clerk's office, Borough Council, and Township Committee, are up for grabs.

Incumbent Asw. Bonnie Watson Coleman (D-Ewing) offered a scathing indictment of the the Doug Forrester campaign as she sought her fifth term on the Assembly.

"If you want to be so negative about New Jersey, then we don't need you," she said, adding that "having Doug For-

rester the governor of New Jersey is like having George Bush the president of the United States of America." Ms. Watson Coleman also feared what could be a low voter-turnout in the face of voter apathy.

Asm. Reed Gusclora (D-Princeton Borough), also an incumbent, said he supported gubernatorial candidate Sen. Jon Corzine's position on a constitutional convention aiming to reform the state's property tax-heavy system of subsidizing municipal functions: "Property taxes have gotten to such a point, such a pitch, that government has to have a focus," he said, adding that in the next two years, property taxes will serve as the centerpiece of the Legislature.

Mr. Gusclora also called for an increased crackdown on the "pay to play" practice in which municipalities give special consideration to campaign-donating contractors seeking municipal contracts.

The growing gang violence that has plagued Trenton and has begun to have an impact in Princeton Borough is "also a problem," Mr. Gusclora said. "We have to understand why there is gang violence.

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Township Committee candidate Vicky Bergman said that while she has not held elected office, she had served on virtually "every level" of government prior to her run for the seat being vacated by Committeeman Bill Enslin. Incumbent Bernie Miller, who was chosen as the Township's deputy mayor in January, also addressed the audience. First appointed to the Committee in July 2002 upon then-Committeeman Steve Frakt's resignation, Mr. Miller is now seeking a second full term.

Other candidates in attendance were Incumbent County Sherill Kevin Larken, Incumbent County Freeholder Lucy Walter, and Lawrence attorney Paula Sollami Covello, who is trying to unseat Republican Catherine DiCostanzo.

—Matthew Hersh

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## Rescue Report

The Princeton First Aid and Rescue Squad responded to the following calls from October 8 through October 14:

On Saturday afternoon, October 8, the Squad responded to Bayard Lane near Birch Avenue for a two-car motor vehicle collision with one vehicle jumping the sidewalk and hitting a tree. The Squad responded with one ambulance and its technical rescue truck and found one of the drivers complaining of neck and back pain. Although there was minor damage to the vehicle, the driver's door was pinned by a tree. Rescue crews used a

chainsaw to remove the tree so that the driver could be removed without further injury. The patient was transported to the University Medical Center at Princeton (UMCP) for evaluation.

Early Sunday morning, October 9, the Squad responded to Herrontown Road for a motor vehicle reported to be on its side in a ditch on the side of the road. Upon arrival, the Squad found a 41-year-old female who had climbed out of her vehicle. She reported that she had been lost and had swerved off the road while attempting to use her GPS computer. The woman reported no injuries, and refused medical treatment and transport.

Heavy rains and flooded roads kept the Squad busy (and wet) on Wednesday,

October 12. On three occasions, the Squad was dispatched to check on and rescue victims in vehicles stranded in flooded roads. The first of these calls was on Quaker Road, where rescuers in dry suits waded through the waist-deep floodwater to recover a man whose car had stalled. After returning the man to dry land, the Squad confirmed that other partially submerged vehicles in the road were unoccupied. The Squad was also dispatched to Mercer Street and River Road during the day to check on abandoned vehicles.

Later Wednesday evening, the Squad responded to an assisted care facility for an 81-year-old woman who was conscious but unresponsive. The Squad found the patient pale, cool to the touch, hypotensive

and not responding to verbal directions. The crew quickly administered oxygen and positioned the woman to improve her blood pressure, after which she became more responsive. She was transported to UMCP for additional evaluation and treatment.

The Princeton First Aid and Rescue Squad is a non-profit, volunteer-run organization dedicated to providing emergency medical and technical rescue services to the Princeton community. For more information on supporting the Squad, visit [www.plars.org](http://www.plars.org), or call (609) 924-3338.

## Fire Wire

The Princeton Fire Department responded to more than 30 calls from October 3 through October 17. Fire and carbon monoxide alarms were set off on Nassau Street, Valley Road, Edgerstone Road, Phillip Drive, Prospect Avenue, Moore Street, Dodds Lane, Witherspoon Street, State Road, Rosedale Road, Hodge Road, Walker Drive, and Herrontown Circle.

Crews responded to calls for dewatering assignments on the following roads: Lafayette Road West, Olden Lane, Campbell Way, Cherry Valley Road, Dodds Lane, Laurel Road, Maldenhead Road, Cedar Lane, Camahan Place, Laurel Circle, Armour Road, Mountain Avenue, Tee Ar Place, Washington Road, Randall Road, and John Street.

On October 3, a noxious smell on Aiken Avenue brought crews out to investigate. The cause of the smell was determined to be from a small heating oil spill.

Calls for natural gas leaks were handled at Riverside Drive, Province Line Road, Prospect Avenue, Spring Street, and Lambert Drive.

On October 8, crews responded to a motor vehicle accident on State Road. There was no entrapment and personnel stood by until the vehicle was removed.

On October 10, a car fire was reported on Nassau Street. By the time responders arrived a passerby had extinguished the small fire with a portable extinguisher.

On the following day, a general alarm structure fire occurred on Witherspoon Street. Witnesses reported yellow-grey smoke coming from the roof just after 2 p.m. First arriving crews made an aggressive initial attack drawing a hand line to the rear of the second floor. The fire was quickly brought under control and was contained to the top floor of the two-story structure.

On October 12, a smoke condition was reported at a State Road residence. First arrival personnel identified the source of the smoke to be a malfunctioning furnace.

On October 16, an oven fire was called in for a Laurel Road residence. The fire was extinguished prior to arrival of fire department personnel, who cleared the resulting smoke from the home.

On the evening of October 16, crews were called to a Riverside Drive home to assist the animal control officer in the retrieval of a parrot that had become perched in a tree approximately 35 feet above the ground. The crew laddered the tree and were attempting to lower the branch gently when it broke sending the truant bird quickly to terra firma. Luckily, all survived.

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## Two Nassau Street Mainstays Team Up to Aid Displaced Families

Hulitts Shoes and Landau have allied with the United Way's Hightstown-based Family & Children's Services of Central New Jersey in a drive that aims to clothe displaced families who are now facing a Northeastern winter — a stark departure from winters along the Gulf Coast.

Through the end of October, both stores are accepting bags of shoes and clothing to help what Landau proprietor Robert Landau called "a community of displaced people."

"Since the hurricane, we had been trying to find a way to do something meaningful," Mr. Landau said. The opportunity to supply people with warm clothing was a natural choice for the store that sells woolens. "There are kids here who are going to be freezing."

In New Jersey — an area that is typically devoid of serious natural disasters — someone looking to offer assistance might cut a check to a national charity and let their donation do the work, Mr. Landau said.

But when Hurricane Katrina

struck the Gulf Coast nearly seven weeks ago, people responded differently. They volunteered on-site and opened their check books with a degree of generosity rarely seen: "There are a lot of people with a lot of things," Mr. Landau said.

Katrina also created an impact unlike other natural disasters: It forced families to scatter around the entire country — with more than 300 families in New Jersey alone.

The response has been "excellent," Mr. Landau said while adding that more clothes and shoes were needed. "People are coming in with five bags of stuff — and that's terrific — but we're not motivating enough people to go through their closets."

Pam Senatore of Family & Children's Services said that some people might be taxed out after the initial relief efforts, but Mr. Landau, and Ryan Simone of Hulitts, said that the more people know about efforts like these, the

more willing they might be to help.

"It's a little slow right now, but so far, it's been good," Mr. Simone said, adding that as customers check out, cashiers have been placing fliers in bags in an effort to spread the word.

At Landau's, a recent shipment of ponchos with a minor defect that provided little value to the store, could, Mr. Landau said, provide warmth for families.

As for the families, it's not expensive clothing that is needed: just warm clothing, "period," Mr. Landau said.

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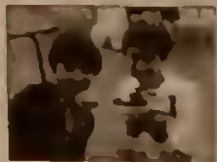
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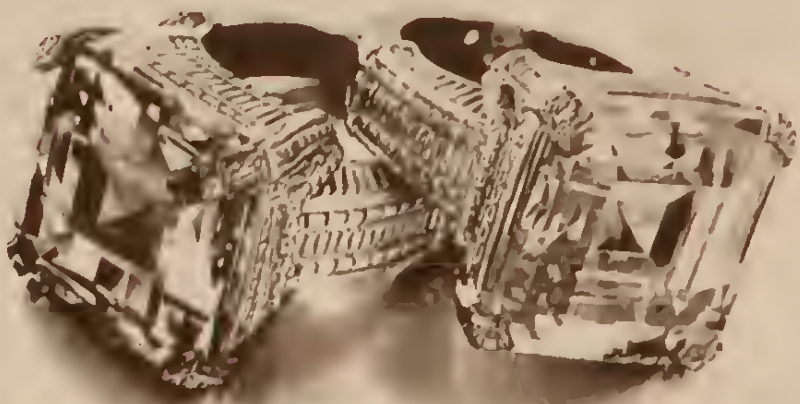
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## Monument Lit

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Some of the funds have already been committed through the Princeton Parks Alliance: a newly-formed not-for-profit organization, spearheaded in part by Councilman Andrew Koontz, that aims to serve as a parks advocacy group and to recruit volunteers to help improve the Borough's existing parks, particularly those that do not necessarily serve as venues for sporting events: so-called "passive-use" parks.

In addition to contributing to the monument lighting effort, the Alliance has set its sights on improving Harrison Street Park and Pine Street Park. Mr. Koontz also indicated that Quarry Park, lodged between Spruce Circle and Spruce Street, would also be examined by the Alliance.

But none of that could be achieved, Mr. Koontz said, without the assistance of volunteers.

"Princeton obviously runs on volunteer effort, and if there weren't a volunteer effort, we simply wouldn't get anything done at all," he said.

Mr. Koontz lauded the mayor's initiative ("the mayor is a man of great ideas") and pointed to the obvious symbolism behind the effort using a familiar analogy, mentioning that while ideas are often represented by light bulbs, this one actually uses them.

Former Mayor Reed recalled the evolution of what is known as Monument Park. When Borough Hall was redone in the 1990s, part of the plan was to landscape the area facing the monument, which, up until then, had been a driveway for traffic to and from Borough Hall. The park was finally completed in 2001.

The natural next step, Mr. Reed said, was to get the

monument lit: "We're figuring out how to make this into a usable park, because a lot of visitors come here to see it."

Polly Burlingham, a member of the Borough's Shade Tree Commission and member of the Parks Alliance, predicted that this initial effort would facilitate increased volunteerism in Princeton.

"I see this project as being the first of many improvements to our parks. I hope this will inspire people to take our parks seriously and realize that they need a little more attention on a personal basis," she said.

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Councilman David Goldfarb agreed with Mr. Smith, saying that the code as pro-

posed is "too restrictive" and that the planning office should revisit the numbers attached to building caps.  
Mr. Solow said caps were initially created not to restrict a single lot's building potential, but to control double lots, where a developer who, while conforming

to zoning code in terms of the FAR, builds two homes on site.

"There are a number of lots in all the different zones that are much larger than what the neighborhood pattern is, and if they had just an FAR, you get a very big house compared to the rest of the neighbors," he said, adding that the proposed FAR are "much more liberal" than what the Township's restrictions are for similarly-sized lots.

Fernando Guerrero of Hodge Road proposed a new discussion that would include a report currently being compiled by former Wharton School professor Arle Schlinnar. The report explores the possible economic impact of the proposed ordinance.

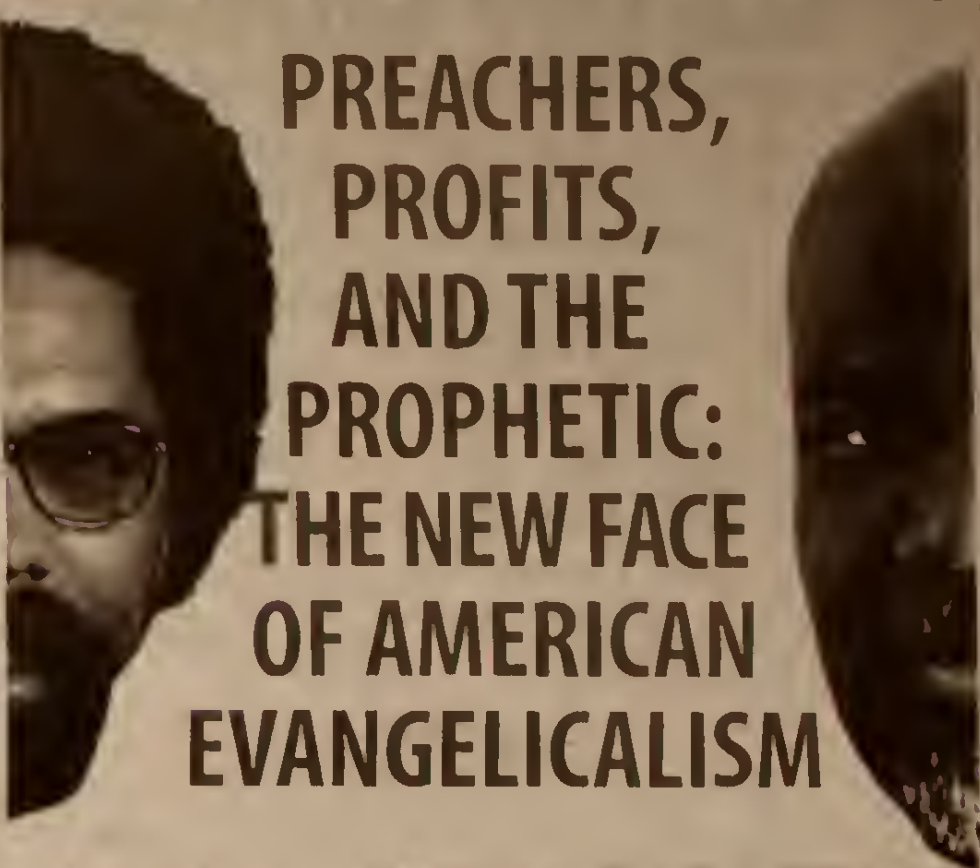
"Before we set rules down," Mr. Guerrero said, "let's deal with potential consequences."

In other business, the Borough also held off on introducing an affordable housing ordinance that would put the municipality in compliance with the new regulations handed down by the state through the Council on Affordable Housing (COAH).

The new hearing that will introduce two new affordable housing ordinances—one that is solely compliant with the new regulation and one that includes the new regulations plus an existing Borough overlay zone mandating that 20 percent of new residential units must be affordable—is rescheduled for Tuesday, October 25.

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## Afghanistan Subject of Talk By Ex-Interior Minister

Ali Ahmad Jalali, former interior minister of Afghanistan, will speak on "Afghanistan: Post-Elections" at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 20, in Dodds Auditorium, Robertson Hall, on the Princeton University campus.

A western-educated journalist and former soldier, Mr. Jalali spent more than two decades of exile in the United States, where he worked as a political analyst and journalist for the Voice of America's Pashto- and Persian-language services in Washington, D.C. He graduated in 1964 from the U.S. Army Infantry Advance Course at Fort Benning and was a Pakistan-based adviser to Afghan rebels during the 1980s war against Soviet troops occupying Afghanistan.

In 2002 Mr. Jalali returned to Afghanistan, and in 2003 became President Hamid Karzai's interior minister. In that post, he headed the effort to build a national police force and to expand security to the larger areas of the country that were still unstable. He has written extensively about the Afghan military in scholarly journals and the mass media. In the spring of 2002, he wrote an influential critique of the U.S. military role in the country, arguing that the way the U.S. used local chieftains in the war on terrorism "enhanced the power of the warlords and encouraged them to defy the central authorities." He later softened his criticism while pointing out that local militias still play a significant role in working with the U.S. military.

Free and open to the public, the lecture is co-sponsored with the Department of Near Eastern Studies and the Liechtenstein Institute on Self Determination.

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1. Peel turnip, potato, and sweet potato. Cut into a large dice.
2. Fill a medium-size pot with water and bring to a boil. Add turnips and cook for 5 minutes. Add potato and sweet potato and cook until all are fork-tender, about 10 more minutes. Drain and set aside. To save time in the morning, the vegetables can be cooked and drained the day before and then stored overnight in the refrigerator.
3. Mash or rice vegetables thoroughly and place into a large bowl. (If you use a ricer, it will give you a lighter texture.) Add egg to bowl, season with salt and pepper and mix thoroughly.
4. Heat a well-oiled griddle or large frying pan over medium-low heat. If desired, use a pat of butter along with the oil for added flavor. Using a wooden spoon, scoop spoonfuls of mixture into pan and flatten into 3-inch cakes. Cook until brown, about 5 minutes per side. Keep warm in oven or toaster oven until all cakes are cooked. Serve with applesauce, yogurt, and honey.



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# CALENDAR

## Wednesday, October 19

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.: 4th Annual Mercer Regional Chamber of Commerce Business Expo; Trenton Marriott Hotel.

Noon: Drumthwacket Tour. Every Wednesday. Reservation required; call (609) 683-0591.

7 p.m.: Candidates Forum 2005, with candidates for elected office in Princeton Borough and Princeton Township; Community Room, Princeton Public Library.

7:30 p.m.: Gem of the Ocean; McCarter Theatre. Also Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 3 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 7:30 p.m.

8 p.m.: Two Lives; George Street Playhouse, New Brunswick. Also Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 7 p.m.

## Thursday, October 20

Noon: Films with a Bite documentary series; Princeton Public Library.

12:15 p.m.: Westminster Conservatory at Nassau Lunchtime Recital with Nancy Froyland-Hoerl, soprano, and Kenneth Ellison, clarinet; Niles Chapel, Nassau Presbyterian Church.

7 p.m.: Talk and book signing with Joyce Carol Oates, author of Missing Mom; Barnes & Noble, MarketFair, Route 1.

7:30 p.m.: Regional Planning Board; Township Municipal Complex.

8 p.m.: 30 Plays in 60 Minutes; Hamilton Murray Theatre, Murray-Dodge Hall. Also Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m.

## Friday, October 21

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.: St. Paul School PTA's "Trash to Treasure Sale"; St. Paul Church Hall, 214 Nassau Street. Also Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

7:30 p.m.: Jazz Pianist Marian McPartland; Berlind Theatre, SRO.

8 p.m.: They're Playing Our Song; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: Latin jazz pianists Arturo O'Farrill and Hilton Ruiz; James A. Michener Art Museum, New Hope, Pa.

8 p.m.: John Legend; Patriots Theater at the War Memorial, Trenton.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Orchestra; Richardson Auditorium. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: The It Girl; Off-Broadway Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

8:15 p.m.: British folksingers Dave Webber and Anni Fentiman; Christ Congregation Church.

Midnight: The Rocky Horror Show; Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope, Pa. Also Saturday at midnight.

## Saturday, October 22

8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.: Rummage Sale; Trinity Church, Crescent Avenue, Rocky Hill.

2 and 4 p.m.: Russian American Kids Circus; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College.

6 to 8 p.m.: Artist reception for ArtTools exhibit and open house for Arts Council's new CONTEMPORARY Gallery, Princeton Shopping Center.

7 p.m.: John Bunch Trio; Hopewell Valley Bistro, Hopewell.

7 to 10 p.m.: "Dance for Darfur: An African Dance Party for Relief" Fund-Raiser; Carl A. Fields Center.

7:30 p.m.: West Windsor Film Series screening of Taking Sides; West Windsor Branch of the Mercer County Library, 333 North Post Road, West Windsor. Free.

8 p.m.: Westminster Schola

Cantorum; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College.

8 p.m.: Peter, Paul and Mary; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: Whoopi Goldberg; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Program in Theater and Dance; Hagan Dance Studio, 185 Nassau Street. Free.

## Sunday, October 23

3 p.m.: Recital by organist John Weaver; St. Paul's Church. Free.

4 p.m.: Princeton Pro Musica, Two Psalms for Chorus and Orchestra; Richardson Auditorium.

4 p.m.: Annual Gospel Extravaganza; Mt. Pisgah A.M.E. Church, 170 Witherspoon Street.

7 p.m.: Libana a cappella ensemble; Unitarian Universalist Congregation, Cherry Hill Road.

7 p.m.: Singer Amy Grant; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

## Monday, October 24

7 p.m.: Township Committee; Township Municipal Complex.

8 p.m.: Violinist Christian Tetzlaff and pianist Lars Vogt; McCarter Theatre.

## Tuesday, October 25

7:30 p.m.: Borough Council; Borough Hall.

8 p.m.: Princeton Regional Schools Board of Education; John Witherspoon Middle School Cafeteria.

8 p.m.: British singer/songwriter Richard Thompson; McCarter Theatre.

8 p.m.: Two Lives; George Street Playhouse, New Brunswick. Also Wednesday through Friday at 8 p.m., Thursday at 2 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2

and 7 p.m.

8 p.m.: Talk by Pulitzer Prize winner Paula Vogel; Dodds Auditorium, Robertson Hall. Free.

## Wednesday, October 26

Noon: Talk, "The Battle of the Multimillionaires: The 2005 New Jersey Governor's Race," by Dr. Dave Rebovich, Director, Rider University Institute for New Jersey Politics; Bart Luedeke Center Theater, Rider University. Free.

2 and 8 p.m.: Hello, Dolly!;

Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope, Pa. Also Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 4 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 6 p.m.

7 p.m.: Talk, with Prof. of Religion Cornel West and Evangelist-author Bishop T.D. Jakes; Princeton University Chapel.

7:30 p.m.: Township Zoning Board of Adjustment; Town-

ship Municipal Complex.

7:30 p.m.: Gem of the Ocean; McCarter Theatre. Also Thursday at 7:30 p.m., Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 3 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

## Thursday, October 27

7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.: Mercer Regional Chamber of Commerce Blood Drive; University Medical Center at Princeton.

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### Library Forum to Discuss Military Recruitment

Panelists with diverse viewpoints on the controversial issue of military recruitment will be heard in a community forum at Princeton Public Library on Tuesday, October 25, at 7 p.m. The event will be held in the first floor Community Room.

Panelists will include attorney Grayson Barber, a First Amendment litigator and privacy advocate in Princeton; Sgt. George Bates of the U.S. Army; Oskar Castro of the National Youth and Militarism Program of the American Friends Service Committee; and students from local high schools.

The panel will discuss issues related to military recruitment in the community and in schools. Following the presentations, audience members will have a chance to ask questions and share their concerns about the issue.

Military recruiters have come under fire nationally and locally for their tactics while seeking to enlist young people.

In Princeton, a group of parents has appealed to the Board of Education to require that recruitment in Princeton High School be conducted according to national guidelines.

"This issue has been on the front page of newspapers ranging from The New York Times to the Princeton Packet," said Library Director Leslie Burger. "Susan Conlon, our teen services librarian, has assembled an excellent panel for this forum. We'll hear from all sides on this issue of importance to young people and parents."

For more information, contact Ms. Conlon at (609) 924-9529, ext. 247, or visit the library's Web site, at [www.princetonlibrary.org](http://www.princetonlibrary.org).

### Arts Council to Hold Annual Halloween Parade

The Arts Council of Princeton will host its annual Home-town Halloween Parade on Thursday, October 27. Ghosts, goblins, and all things

spooky are invited to gather this year at Witherspoon Plaza, the courtyard adjacent to the Princeton Public Library.

The parade will leave the courtyard at 5:30 p.m., led by the Princeton University band. This year's parade route starts at the Witherspoon Plaza, crosses Witherspoon Street, and travels down Hulfish Street and up Palmer Square West to the green, where treats and pumpkin decorating will await all creatures, courtesy of the Nassau Inn and Palmer Square Management. New this year, Magician Jeff will be performing all kinds of tricks for everyone to enjoy, courtesy of Design Within Reach. Princeton Borough Police and Mercer Engine Co. #3 will also assist in the event.

The Halloween Parade is free. People of all ages are encouraged to attend and get into the Halloween spirit with a costume. For more information, call the Arts Council at (609) 924-8777, ext. 106, or visit [www.artscouncilofprinceton.org](http://www.artscouncilofprinceton.org).

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## MAILBOX

### Lack of Civility Displayed in Debate On Bunn Drive Condominium Project

To the Editor:

I am deeply distressed by the uncivil tenor of the civic conversation over the past couple of years leading to the Planning Board's vote of approval for the Bunn Drive age-restricted condominium project.

A productive conversation couldn't be held when the senior-housing advocates insisted on charging the environmentalists with being "against housing for seniors." Also, they persisted in using the epithet "NIMBY" [Not In My Back Yard] to denigrate the people who live next to the proposed project.

The neighbors I heard protesting the project had a right to do so, and they protested with vigor, reason, and grace. Calling neighbors names for trying to protect their homes is like criticizing bears for protecting their cubs. There's something wrong with animals and people who fail to protect their homes and families.

Although I heard environmentalists express support for senior housing, I did not hear the senior housing advocates express respect for, or even an understanding of, the environmental imperative — good tree, water, and soil management. Environmentalism is not a dirty word. The tragedy is that the two sides may as well be on different planets.

If the proponents of the Bunn Drive age-restricted condo project had listened respectfully to what the neighbors and environmentalists were saying, we'd have had a better senior housing zoning ordinance to work with, and something better for seniors to live in than the proposed Hovnanian boxes.

SARAH HOLLISTER  
Ridgeview Road

### Planned Town Topics Office Location Raises Concern About Street Parking

To the Editor:

At the Princeton Regional Planning Board meeting on October 6, Town Topics proposed to build a sizable addition to the house it has purchased at 305-307 Witherspoon Street. The house is located directly across the street from the drive and crosswalk into Community Park School. The proposed addition would create a structure of almost 3,000 square feet, which under the Township zoning ordinance requires at least 15 parking spaces. The newspaper has asked the Planning Board to approve a plan for only nine parking spaces, including one reserved for handicapped parking, and two reserved for compact cars which means only six regular spaces are proposed. These spaces will not accommodate all nine full-time and four or more part-time employees who need parking. And Town Topics has no viable plan (other than on-street parking) to meet those needs, not to mention the needs of visitors. In fact, on-street parking is not a realistic solution as Witherspoon Street and the surrounding side streets are full from other businesses including the hospital.

The location across from Community Park School raises the potential for congestion and traffic hazards to children not only during the school day but also throughout the day when the playground, park, and pool are heavily used. In addition, the paper has requested a variance for a drop-off space. This will further exacerbate the congestion and hazard in front of the school, as cars and trucks will need drop-off parking to deliver advertisements or packages. The proposed driveway to the parking in the rear is nine and a half feet wide, which will only allow for one-way traffic. How will vehicles get in while other vehicles are trying to get out? This is a recipe for blocked traffic on a street that is already very congested.

If you have children who attend Community Park School, please let the Planning Board know you are concerned about the safety of the Community Park students and the adverse affect on traffic in our neighborhood.

HEIDI FICHTENBAUM  
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Editor's Note: Town Topics is carefully considering all input from the community and it is our intent to remain a good citizen and good neighbor at our new location on Witherspoon Street.

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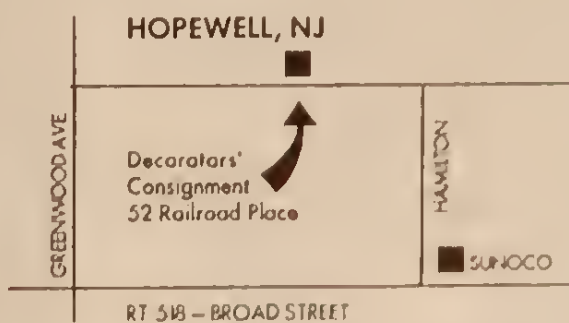
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## Public Library Addresses Questions About Its Financing and Energy Use

To the Editor:

We'd like to take this opportunity to clear up some of the misconceptions about Princeton Public Library's impact on Borough and Township taxes that have appeared in recent letters to the editor. While we sympathize with many of the issues expressed in these letters, we are concerned that these misconceptions are spreading in the community. Specifically, we'd like to address issues regarding library financing and energy use.

Financing the new library — the library's \$18 million price tag was paid for with \$12 million of private funds, about \$2.3 million in state and federal funding, and \$6 million in municipal contributions, \$1.92 million from Princeton Borough and \$4.08 million from Princeton Township. To protect against the possibility that the library would not meet its goal for raising private-sector funds, the municipalities authorized an \$18 million bond anticipation note. When the library exceeded its fund-raising target in 2004, those notes were canceled. In the meantime, the Borough and Township provided a \$1 million loan to the library to bridge the gap between construction expenses and pending fund-raising pledges. The library has repaid half of that loan, ahead of schedule.

Energy Use — some have asked why the library lights remain on after we close. Our cleaning contractor cleans the library from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Monday through Thursday and from 6 to 10 p.m. Friday through Sunday. We are working with the contractor to reduce the time that all three floors are lit, but with more than 2,500 people visiting the library each day, it takes a significant amount of time to clean the building. To date, energy costs for the library are less than originally anticipated as a result of efficient systems that save energy. In this time of uncertainty about energy costs, we are committed to doing everything we can to contain costs.

We'd like everyone in the community to know that Prince-

ton Public Library trustees and staff accept our responsibility as stewards of the public's trust with the utmost seriousness. We understand the concern about tax growth, which could force some residents to leave Princeton. To do our part, the library is embarking on a campaign to grow our fledgling endowment to support future growth in the operating costs of the library.

We encourage the community to share their ideas about improving the library and its services with either of us personally, by phone or e-mail.

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## Township's "Tide of Red Ink" Demands Election of New Blood in November

To the Editor:

No one has been minding the store, and look what has happened in Princeton Township! A very large expensive new municipal building. Extensive, costly school renovations, even including swimming pools. Two large new recreational parks. A new library (in the Borough, but partly financed by the Township).

Now, how to pay for all of this aggregate excess of extravagance? Don't worry about it. The taxpayers will pay. They always have, and they've never seemed to mind.

Well, don't count on it any longer. This year's heavy tax increase is the straw that broke the collective taxpayers' backs, and it is only an appetizer for the feeding frenzy to follow in future years.

Clearly, Township government urgently needs new blood. People with empathy for the taxpayer. People with fiscal responsibility and the experience to reduce and control costs, as well as to develop new sources of revenue.

I believe that Gordon Bryant and Tom Pyle have the requisite credentials: the backgrounds, knowledge, imagination, and creativity to stem this hemorrhaging tide of red ink. They should be elected in November. If they are not, it may be the last Township election for many taxpayers. From necessity they will have sold out and left town.

JAMES S. NORTHUP  
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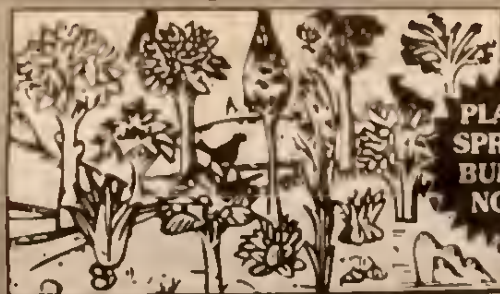
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## Harrison Street Park Rehabilitation Would Be Funded by Mercer County

To the Editor:

After reading Roger Martindell's letter to the editor concerning the effort to rehabilitate Harrison Street Park (Town Topics, October 12), I would like to take the opportunity to clear up some facts.

First, Mr. Martindell says the Borough is embarking on yet another pointless "study" of the park. Not so. What I requested, and a majority of Borough Council supported, was for Borough staff to take steps toward hiring a design firm that would draw up actual plans, plans that are absolutely critical to have in place prior to work being done in the park. I agree with Mr. Martindell that we've done enough studying. Let's move on to detailed drawings and work specifications.

Second, Mr. Martindell states that we have no idea what the project will cost or where the money to pay for it will come from. Actually, we have a pretty good idea of the former, and are certain of the latter. Even modest improvements to a park as deteriorated as Harrison Street Park will have a significant cost. Resurfacing the basketball court, replacing worn out playground equipment, thinning overgrown trees, improving drainage, removing the wading pool, and all of the other improvements identified in more than two years of neighborhood meetings will likely carry a price tag of \$250,000 or so. While you recover from your sticker shock, I would like to assure you that the taxpayers need not worry. Princeton Borough was fortunate to receive an open space grant from Mercer County for \$375,000, and this would be our source of funding for this project.

Finally, Mr. Martindell posits the policy that we should not improve any of our parks until we have a comprehensive plan for all of our parks. While I fully share Mr. Martindell's concern for our parks in general, I believe it to be simply unfair to hold Harrison Street Park and its neighbors hostage while we engage in the years of study a comprehensive plan would take. After all, Harrison Street Park has been the subject of years of discussion, and has been in the

Borough's capital plan for nearly as long. The only thing holding up this project until now was a lack of cash, but now, thanks to Mercer County Executive Brian Hughes and his administration, we have the necessary funds. I say let's move forward.

ANDREW KOONTZ  
Borough Councilman  
Spruce Street

## University's Contributions to Borough Represent 17 Percent of Its Revenue

To the Editor:

Newspaper coverage of the upcoming municipal elections has contained references to Princeton University's financial contributions to Princeton Borough. I'd like to provide some relevant numbers, which are made available each year to the governing officials and the public.

Princeton University is the largest taxpayer in Princeton Borough. Last year the University paid \$3.05 million in total property taxes (plus \$1.03 million in sewer taxes). Thus, even though many of its properties are tax exempt, the University pays taxes on many properties, some of which are commercial, but several of which might qualify for tax

exemption, such as graduate student and faculty housing. It has been the University's policy to keep voluntarily on the tax rolls any property that might potentially contribute school children to the schools. Of the \$3.05 million paid in taxes by the University, the Borough gets approximately \$763,000 (the rest goes to the schools and the county). The Borough last year collected \$8.9 million in taxes for Borough purposes; therefore, the University paid about nine percent of the total.

In 2005, the University made voluntary contributions to the Borough of more than \$800,000, including \$250,000 for road repair and other capital projects. If you add the University's voluntary contribution to the taxes it pays just to the Borough, the University is contributing more than 17 percent of the Borough's tax revenue.

In recent years the University has also made substantial capital contributions for Borough projects (including \$300,000 for Monument Drive and \$150,000 for the new plaza by the public library), or for projects such as renovation of the local public schools (\$500,000), construction of a new public library (\$500,000), and purchase of a new rescue squad vehicle (\$155,000), in which the University's contribution reduced the demand on local taxpayers.

PAM HIRSH  
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## BOOK REVIEW

## Looking Into Melville's Eyes: Moby Dick, New York, and 9/11

Early on in Andrew Delbanco's *Melville: His World and Work* (Knopf \$30) we learn that one of Herman Melville's childhood homes was "on Courtlandt Street (on the future site of the World Trade Center)."

Given the inventive means Delbanco uses to make readers aware of how Melville and his masterpiece *Moby Dick* haunt contemporary American culture, it seems almost over-subtle to casually tuck that piece of information into parentheses. Delbanco begins his portrait of the artist with a series of pertinent quotations in the style of the "Extracts" with which Melville prefaces *Moby Dick* (extracts "supplied by a sub-sub-librarian ... who has gone through the long Vaticans and street stalls of the earth, picking up whatever random allusions to whales he could anyways find in any book"). Among Delbanco's extracts illustrating Melville's presence in our time is an exchange from an episode of *The Sopranos* wherein Billy Budd is discussed over dinner in Columbia student Meadow Soprano's Manhattan apartment. Other quotations bring *Moby Dick* into the context of the first Gulf War (as America "like Ahab" prepares to "take after an imputed evil"); the 2000 election where the BBC has Al Gore clinging to the wreckage "with the ferocity of a Captain Ahab;" and the reaction to 9/11 (the CIA's Richard Clarke relating how he admitted to Condoleezza Rice that maybe he was "becoming like Captain Ahab with bin Laden as the white whale"). The last extract is from a May 2005 New York Times editorial headed "Manhattan's Mayor Ahab" about Mayor Bloomberg's obsession with building a football stadium on the West Side: "Since Lower Manhattan is where Melville began the saga of *Moby Dick*, it seems appropriate to wonder whether Mr. Bloomberg is turning into a modern-day Ahab, pursuing his great white elephant of a stadium as the former World Trade Center site sinks into trouble." (The Melville show goes on in today's New York Times where a columnist discussing the tenacity of special prosecutors notes that the job can turn "a reasonable lawyer into an inquisitor with the zeal of Captain Ahab").

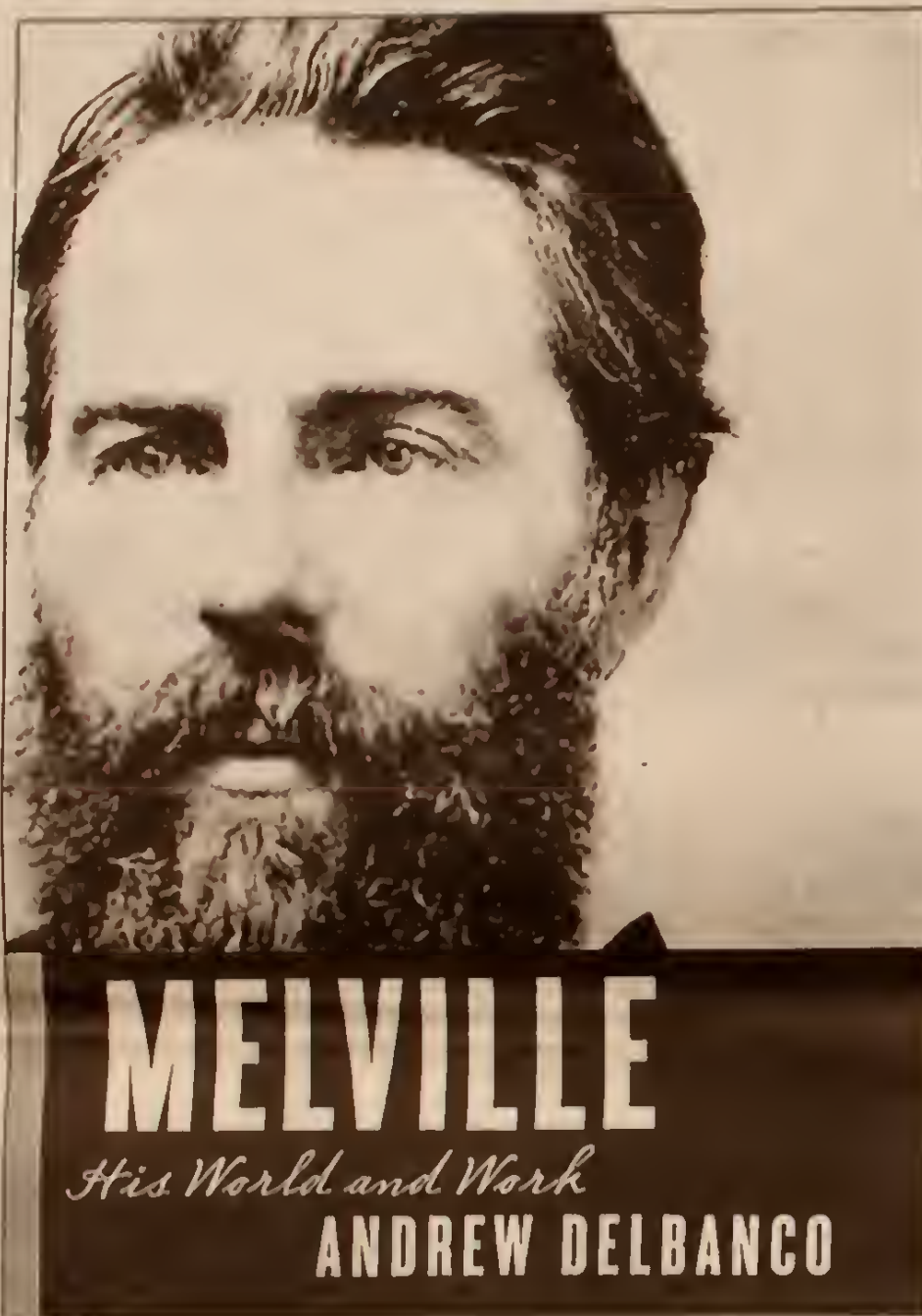
Delbanco might also have mentioned that the first five years of the 21st century have been pervasively and compellingly accompanied by the compositions of a musician named Moby (born Richard Melville Hall) whose dark, sea-haunted lyrics reflect the same qualities in a musical mix that often, deliberately or not, evokes the dark, oceanic sweep of his ancestor's greatest work.

What could a man whose life-span fell just short of the 20th century have to do with an attack on lower Manhattan some 110 years after his death? For one thing, Melville was a true New Yorker: he was born there and he died there after working for the last 25 years of his life as a customs inspector at a store's throw from what would become Ground Zero. Although he produced all his fiction except for the posthumous *Billy Budd* in a span of 12 years, between 1845 and 1857, he also produced a great deal of important poetry after 1857. Keeping what happened to New York on September 11, 2001 in mind, it's chilling to read a poem like "The House-Top" from his extraordinary collection of Civil War poetry, *Battle Pieces*. Responding to the bloody draft riots of July

1863 where the new conscription laws sent white mobs through the city in a murderous, racist rampage, Melville subtitles the poem "A Night Piece" and writes of how "civil charms and priestly spells which late held hearts in awe ... like a dream dissolve, / And man rebounds whole aeons back in nature." He makes us hear "the low dull rumble, dull and dead, / And ponderous drag that jars the wall" and in the last lines writes of "the grimy slur on the Republic's faith." As Delbanco points out, Melville's vision of the war

From Howard P. Vincent's *The Trying-Out of Moby Dick*, published in 1949: "Readers of *Moby Dick* know that he swims the world unconquered, that he is ubiquitous in time and place. Yesterday he sank the Pequod; within the past two years he has breached Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and most recently, at Bikini atoll." And still more recently at the World Trade Center and Iraq.

You can get a hint of Melville's dark vision just by looking into the eyes of the man



stressed "the futility of heroic gestures in the face of massive force." Unlike Whitman, "who saw people fighting, dying for their own idea," Melville, in Delbanco's words, "saw a people led to slaughter by a fate over which they had no control."

More important, Delbanco points out that when Melville wrote that poem, he was in Massachusetts imagining an embattled New York based on news reports of the riots while creating a night mood of universal significance that still seems relevant to the fall of the Trade Towers a century later.

More than a decade before he wrote his "Night Piece," Melville was in a Fourth Avenue room in New York finishing *Moby Dick* in the sultry summer of 1851. Another of Delbanco's prefatory extracts reinforces our sense of the magnitude of what he created,

pictured on the cover of Anthony Delbanco's unconventional biography. Here is the writer who was speaking for himself when he cited "the power of blackness" in the work of Nathaniel Hawthorne, who said "NO in thunder and the Devil himself cannot make him say yes." The photograph was taken in 1861, ten years after Melville wrote those words and ten years after the publication of *Moby Dick*. Although he was only 41 at the time, his eyes are old, old, old, beyond mere disillusionment like that which he suffered when his masterwork was misunderstood and mocked and dismissed as a species of madness by what passed for the literary culture of his time. You have no doubt that Melville's eyes in this photograph are those of the man who exhausted himself and his spirit in the act of conceiving the

ever-surfacings, undying destructive force Howard Vincent would compare to the impact of the atomic bomb a century later.

The truth is, Melville would probably have looked no less distant and detached in 1861 even had he been hailed in his own time as the author of the Great American Novel, a title *Moby Dick* would win hands down if such a question were ever asked of writers and readers in today's book world, even among the lowest levels of bookchatdom. If only we had a photo of the author taken in the summer of 1851 when he was on fire with *Moby Dick*, taken at the moment when an adventure story that began so buoyantly and playfully (surely one of the most engaging openings in all literature) was becoming something "rich and strange," an act of imagination of Shakespearean proportions, a city of words with something like the "merciless multiplicity" Henry James had in mind when he wrote of Manhattan in *The American Scene*. The difference between the face of the man possessed of that vision and the man bereft of all but the ashes of it would be terrible but fascinating to see. In fact, "bereft" is too weak a word for the face of the man who, a few years before this picture was taken, told his lapsed soulmate Hawthorne he had "pretty much made up his mind to be annihilated."

One of the highlights of Delbanco's *Melville* is its exploration of the impact the street-life ambience of Manhattan had on the flowering and free-flowing style that transformed *Moby Dick*. The impact of other writers is obvious and easily documented — Shakespeare, in particular, and Hawthorne as an inspiration (Melville dedicated the book to him) — but the wonder of *Moby Dick* is the way it opens out into seemingly infinite possibilities. The wild flow of associations, the tributaries and diversions, reflect metropolitan excitement and the sea itself. Delbanco says it well:

"Before his move to New York, Melville's prose had stayed pretty much within the limits of conventional narrative; but as he immersed himself in the city, his books became eclectic miscellanies, with innumerable tangents spoking out from the spine of the story, each one reaching for some new analogy that diverts our attention to some novel sensation, or topic, or fact."

Delbanco goes on to compare "moving clause by clause through Melville's New York prose" to "strolling, or browsing, on a city street." He also gives the city credit for breaking open Melville's style as well as opening his mind "to the cosmopolitan idea of a nation to which one belongs not by virtue of some blood lineage that leads back into the past, but by consent to the as-yet-unrealized ideal of a nation comprehending all peoples ... in a future of universal freedom."

But as Delbanco's *Melville* makes clear, that future "comprehending all peoples" was also large enough to comprehend the huge cloud erupting from the collapse of the World Trade Center and the forms and faces of people fleeing from it. Look closely and you can imagine Herman Melville's eyes watching it all, beyond sadness, beyond tragedy, perhaps even beyond annihilation.

—Stuart Mitchner

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**AN ACTOR BECOMES A WRITER:** Susan Garrett is leading "Life Stories," a six-week workshop at Princeton Public Library, which will run from October 19 through November 23. Ms. Garrett is pictured here in a scene from a one-woman show she wrote and performed in, "Mamalogue: Adventures of an Existential Mom."

## Everyone Has a Story to Tell At Library's Writing Workshop

A six-week long workshop on writing and sharing memories will be held at the Princeton Public Library beginning Wednesday, October 19, and running through November 23.

Led by Princeton resident Susan Garrett, "Life Stories," will offer specific exercises that will allow participants to capture their experiences in writing and to share them with others.

"Basically it's a workshop where people can learn how to write about their own lives in a creative way," said Ms. Garrett, adding that she hopes participants will eventually be brave enough to get up and read some of their writing in front of their peers.

A veteran of television, film and theater, Ms. Garrett first

took an interest in writing approximately seven years ago, when she wrote the one-woman show, "Mamalogue: Adventures of Existential Mom," which she performed in Portland, Maine. The show, which was inspired by her own experiences as a mother, was also performed as part of a festival for new playwrights, called "Little Festival of the Unexpected."

A Maine native, Ms. Garrett attended Bowdoin College, where she studied English and drama. Upon graduation she went to London, pursuing her interest in theater at the Eugene O'Neill Drama Institute and the Drama Studio of London.

Over the years she has had small roles in soap operas and plays in New York City and

Los Angeles. In 1990 she was in *A Tale of Two Cities* at McCarter Theatre, and has performed in productions by Princeton Rep Company. She has also taught theater to adults in an acting program run by McCarter Theatre.

It was soon after Ms. Garrett wrote her one-woman show that she enrolled in a masters program in creative non-fiction writing at Goucher College in Baltimore.

"I became more interested in writing because I had more control over it than acting," said Ms. Garrett, adding that while acting roles were sporadic, she could spend time writing every day.

After studying non fiction, which helped her to write a memoir about her brother, Ms. Garrett found herself more interested in reading and writing about stories from reality.

"I became really disenchanted with fiction...because I had been reading so many non-fiction writings that I found really compelling," she said, adding that she felt it was more challenging to write a story inspired by real life events.

"All of us have wonderful life stories to tell -startling encounters, shocking events, life-changing experiences -but only a few will turn them into evocative memoirs that enrich us as readers."

She added that some writers just need someone to help get their ideas onto the page, which is what she intends to do in her writing workshop.

Space in the "Life Stories" memoir writing workshop is limited. Potential participants are asked to register by calling Readers Services Coordinator Susan Roth, at (609) 924-9529, ext. 257. For more information on library programs and services, visit [www.princetonlibrary.org](http://www.princetonlibrary.org).

—Candace Braun

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## Nancy Drew, E. Wilson To Be Discussed at U-Store

Lewis Dahney, author of *Edmund Wilson: A Life in Literature*, will speak and sign copies of his book at the Princeton U-Store on Thursday, October 20, at 7 p.m.

From the Jazz Age through the McCarthy era, Edmund Wilson (1895-1972) stood at the center of the American cultural scene. Mr. Wilson wrote three classics of literary and intellectual history (*Axel's Castle*, *To the Finland Station*, and *Patriotic Gore*), searching reportage, and criticism that has outlasted many of its subjects.

While Mr. Wilson has documented his unruly private life — a formative love affair with Edna St. Vincent Millay, a tempestuous marriage to Mary McCarthy, and volatile friendships with Scott Fitzgerald and Vladimir Nabokov, among others — in openly erotic fiction and journals, Mr. Dahney is the first writer to integrate his life and work into a book.

In *Edmund Wilson*, the author traces the critic's intellectual development, from son of small-town New Jersey gentility to America's last great Renaissance man. The book shows how Mr. Wilson was "a deep commentator on everything from the Russian classics to Native American rituals, to the Dead Sea Scrolls," according to his publicist. Along the way, Mr. Dahney shows why Mr. Wilson was and has remained a model for young writers and intellectuals.

A professor of English at the University of Wyoming, Mr. Dahney edited Mr. Wilson's last journal, *The Sixties*, as well as *Edmund Wilson: Centennial Reflections*.

On Monday, October 24,

Sean Wilentz, author of *The Voice*, and American Historian *Rise of American Democracy* will appear at the Princeton U-Store at 7 p.m.

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Mr. Wilentz is the Dayton-Stockton Professor of History, and the director of American studies at Princeton University. His other books include *The Kingdom of Matthias: A Story of Sex and Salvation in 19th Century America*, *The Key of Liberty: The Life and Democratic Writings of William Manning, "a Laborer," 1747-1814*, *Major Problems in the Early Republic, 1787-1848*, *Rites of Power: Symbolism, Ritual, and Politics Since the Middle Ages*, *Society, Politics and the Market Revolution, 1815-1848*, and *Chants Democratic: New York City and the Rise of the American Working Class, 1788-1850*.

He is also a historian-in-residence at Bob Dylan's official Web site, and co-editor of *The Rose and the Briar: Death, Love and Liberty in the American Ballad*. A contributing editor for *The New Republic*, Mr. Wilentz has written reviews for publications including *The New York Times Book Review*, *London Review of Books*, *The Nation*, *Dissent*, *Trikkam*, *The Village*

Fond memories of Nancy Drew books will be relived at the Princeton U-Store on October 25, with an evening of discussion with Melanie Rehak, author of *Girl Sleuth: Who Wrote Her*, on October 25, the anniversary of the first female F.B.I. agents. The talk and book signing will begin at 7 p.m., and refreshments will be served.

The female sleuth solved her first mystery in 1930. Eighty million books later, Nancy Drew has both inspired and reflected the changes in her readers' lives. Now, in a narrative with the energy and page-turning pace of Nancy's adventures, Ms. Rehak solves an enduring literary mystery: Who created Nancy Drew? And how did she go from pulp heroine to icon?

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All three authors will be at the Princeton University Store, located at 36 University Place, just off Nassau Street in Princeton. The talks will take place in the third-floor events area. For more information, call (609) 921-8500, ext. 238 or visit the U-Store Web site, at [www.pristore.com](http://www.pristore.com).

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## Socrates Cafe Book Group Opens at Princeton Library

Princeton Public Library will launch a new monthly discussion series using the Socratic Method on Tuesday, October 25, at 7 p.m., when Socrates Café debuts in the second floor Conference Room.

Inspired by Christopher Phillips' book of the same name, the meetings encourage people to engage themselves, in a non-confrontational way, in conversation by applying the Socratic Method to troubling or existential questions.

Princeton University doctoral student Kelly McGannon will lead the sessions, during

which participants will be asked to pose their own questions, listen to others, challenge ideas, and consider alternative answers to the questions and situations.

Socrates Cafes have popped up across the nation since Mr. Phillips' book was released in 2002. The meetings serve as a popular way to get together and discuss tough questions without arguing or disrespecting others in the group.

On the Web site, [www.philosopher.com](http://www.philosopher.com), Mr. Phillips describes the meetings as "a thoughtful and reflective philosophical sharing."

The October 25 meeting at the library will take place at 7

p.m. in the second floor Conference Room. The next meeting will be held on November 29, at the same time and in the same venue.

For more information, contact Readers Services Coordinator Susan Roth, who coordinates adult programming at the library, at (609) 924-9529, ext. 257, or visit [www.princetonlibrary.org](http://www.princetonlibrary.org).

## National Teen Read Week Is Celebrated at Library

Princeton teens will be reading for the fun of it as the Princeton Public Library joins in the national celebration of Teen Read Week, which will run through Saturday, October 22.

The library is celebrating all week by encouraging teens to "Get Real! @ your library," and will wrap up the week's activities with two special events: Friday Afternoon Action Day, and Friday Night Live.

The "Get Real" theme is designed to encourage teens to explore nonfiction books throughout the week. The library is offering new nonfiction books and will have a special display set up for the week.

The free Friday celebrations will kick-off at 3:30 p.m., with include karaoke, Dance Dance Revolution, and other surprises. The event will last until 5:30 p.m.

The library will reopen at 7 p.m. specifically for Friday Night Live. The event, co-sponsored by Corner House, is open to high school students who live in Princeton. The night will be full of the song stylings of a cappella groups and soloists from the area high school. The event is open exclusively to high school students only.

Funding for Friday Night Live has been provided by the Friday Afternoon Action Day. The event, for Princeton middle school students, will

Princeton Alcohol and Drug Alliance (PADA), through the Mercer County Office of Addiction Services, and the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.

For more information about Teen Read Week, a national initiative of the American Library Association, or either event at Princeton Public Library, contact Teen Services Librarian Susan Conlon at (609) 924-9529, ext. 247.

For more information on library programs and services, visit [www.princetonlibrary.org](http://www.princetonlibrary.org).

## Teens to Discuss Stories In Library's Reading Group

Students in grades 7 through 10 are invited to read and discuss short stories at Princeton Public Library's "People and Stories" series.

The series, which began last spring, resumed on Tuesday, October 18, and will run on subsequent Tuesdays through December 13, at 4 p.m. (except November 22).

The weekly, 60-minute sessions will give students the opportunity to both hear and read short stories from around the world. After the reading, facilitator Mary Reath will lead a discussion as students are given the chance to offer interpretations based on their own life stories.

In the spring, students read stories by Chinua Achebe, James Joyce, Langston Hughes, Alice Walker, Ernest Hemingway, Bernard Malamud, and Toni Cade Bambara.

"In the previous session the students who attended really enjoyed listening to and reading stories and then discussing immediately after, all in one hour," said Susan Conlon, the library's teen services librarian and coordinator of the program.

The sessions take place in the third floor Story Room at the library. Registration is required and participants should plan to attend all ses-

sions. To register, call (609) 924-9529, ext. 240, or visit the Youth Services Desk on Box.

the third floor.

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## Seminary Priest to Sign Guide To Campus Ministry

Stephen L. White, author of *The College Chaplain: A Practical Guide to Campus Ministry*, will have a book signing on Wednesday, October 26, at 11 a.m.

Mr. White is Chaplain of the Episcopal Church at Princeton University, and serves as priest associate at Trinity Church in Princeton. He received his M.S.W. from Smith College, his Ph.D. from Brandeis University, and his M.Div. from General Theological Seminary in New York City. He has taught at Princeton Theological Seminary.

*The College Chaplain* (Pilgrim Press) is a practical 'nuts and bolts' guide to the everyday details of campus ministry. White has organized the book around the key roles and functions of a campus chaplain, as pastor, priest, rabbi, prophet, steward, herald, missionary and pilgrim. The book contains useful tips and suggestions for new and experienced campus ministers, as

well as a helpful CD," according to The Chaplain's Tool

Mr. White will be at the Theological Book Agency, located on the ground floor of the MacKay Campus Center at the Princeton Theological Seminary. For more information, call (609) 497-7735.

## N.J. Poetry Society To Hold Workshop

The New Jersey Poetry Society will celebrate National Poetry Day with a teachers' workshop at the Princeton University Store on Saturday, October 22, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Teachers can get two hours of professional development credit during the seminar, "Tell Me a Story: Writing Narrative Poetry."

A \$15 donation will also include a poetry reading and light refreshments. For more information about the event, call (609) 882-4784, or email [LUCIAKALT@aol.com](mailto:LUCIAKALT@aol.com). For more information about the New Jersey Poetry Society, visit [www.njpoetrysociety.org](http://www.njpoetrysociety.org).

The Princeton University Store is located at 36 University Place, just off Nassau Street. The seminar will take place in the third-floor events area.

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**"CLOSELY ATTENDED BY TIME":** This photograph, created this year by Mark Kessell, is currently on display at Princeton University's Bernstein Gallery, through December 2. "How We Look" is a two-person exhibition of works by Mr. Kessell and Ariel Ruiz I Altaba, in which both artists use the medium of photography to explore issues of human identity. The gallery is located in the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, on the campus of Princeton University. For more information, call (609) 497-2441.



**"POWER DRESSING":** This 20th-century headdress is currently on display at the Newark Museum as part of an exhibit, "Power Dressing: Men's Fashion and Prestige in Africa." The exhibit, which runs through January 22, 2006, surveys African men's dress through 50 examples spanning the continent, from Morocco to South Africa, representing over a century of fashion. The Newark Museum is located at 49 Washington Street in the Downtown/Arts District of Newark. It is open Wednesday through Friday, noon to 5 p.m., and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the weekends. For more information, call (973) 596-6550, or visit [www.NewarkMuseum.org](http://www.NewarkMuseum.org).

## ART

### Human Identity Is Explored In Exhibit at University

"How We Look," an exhibition of photographic works by Mark Kessell and Ariel Ruiz I Altaba, will be shown at Princeton University's Bernstein Gallery through December 2, with an artist reception on Monday, October 24, at 6 p.m.

The reception follows a symposium related to the show at 4:30 p.m. in Bowl 016 in Robertson Hall, sponsored by the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. The broad locus of the show and symposium is the intersection of art and science, and more specifically, it examines human identity. Both events, free and open to the public, are located on the lower level of Robertson Hall on University's campus.

In "How We Look" both artists use the medium of photography to explore issues of human identity. The multiple levels of meaning in these photographs challenge viewers to ask questions about how we develop as individuals and as a species, and invite them to enter into realms of ambiguity and mystery.

Mr. Kessell, born in Australia, was trained as a physician and is currently a New York City-based artist. These photographs represent a series entitled, "To Be Determined," whose subject is children. Alone in contemplation or playing with their friends, many of these children are blind, but not all. Mr. Kessell is interested in how these children, who have none of the visual cues of sighted children, seem to develop a strong sense of identity at the same rate as their sighted peers.

"These children cannot look at themselves in the mirror, cannot see the faces of their parents, siblings or peers, and are unable to compare their own appearance with others. They are unaffected by the powerful visual influences of television, film, or advertising, which pervade the culture to which sighted children are exposed," said the artist.

The images show the full scope of human emotion, including moments of sheer joy, doubt, insecurity and isolation, and connection.

Mr. Ruiz I Altaba is an artist and molecular embryologist at the Medical School at the University of Geneva in Switzerland. As a developmental neuroscientist, he explores the

subject of identity often from a more overtly genetic approach. Yet his real interest seems to be in how individuals look at the world around them, and how what they see is largely determined by how they look.

In describing this series of works, called "Genome and Identity," the artist said that the exhibit "presents an exploration of how we see ourselves and others, and how science molds our very essence. Through new ways of seeing we can try to live ourselves from stereotypes, enriching our communal experience."

Mr. Ruiz I Altaba's work is mostly comprised of portraits. These are not traditional portraits in the sense that they mirror accurate visual attributes of their subject. While Mr. Kessell's work suggests an interiority, here we find ourselves in a more literal sense, under the human skin. Layers of scientific identifiers, including DNA sequencing ladders, fingerprints, and molecular components are embedded in the faces or on full body skeletal figures.

Both artists have exhibited widely in this country and abroad, and have their work in major museum collections. Major collections which either own or have exhibited Mr. Kessell's work include the Los

Angeles County Museum, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the New York Academy of Sciences. Mr. Ruiz I Altaba's work is in the collection of the Bibliothèque Nationale de France in Paris, the Museum of Fine Arts in Houston, and the Museum of Fine Arts in Philadelphia.

The Bernstein Gallery is located in the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, on the campus of Princeton University. For more information, call (609) 497-2441.

### Experts to Lead Talk On Manet Painting

One of the treasures of the Princeton University Art Museum is Manet's *Gypsy with a Cigarette*. On Thursday, October 20, members of the community will be able to view the painting and participate in an interdisciplinary discussion moderated by Professor Anthony Grafton, historian and chair of the Humanities Council. The event will take place at 4:30 p.m. in 101 McCormick Hall, which is at the entrance to the museum.

Five experts from different fields will comment briefly on the painting and then lead a conversation. Speakers are Carol Armstrong, an art histo-

rian and Manet specialist; John Bormann, an anthropologist; Alexander Nehamas, a expert on aesthetics from the Philosophy and Comparative Literature departments; Deborah Nord, a literature scholar in the English department, who is writing about gypsies; and Betsy Rosasco, Art Museum curator of later Western art. Each panelist brings a particular perspective to this masterpiece.

This event is co-sponsored by the Council of the Humanities and the Art Museum. A reception will follow in the museum. Manet's *Gypsy with a Cigarette* (circa 1862) was a bequest from Archibald S. Alexander, Class of 1928. Last April, a reproduction of the painting was sent to each admitted student as part of the admission packet.

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**"SQUALL":** Pictured is a wreck in Penobscot Bay, a painting by Robert Beck which will be on exhibit at the Studio and Gallery of Robert Beck from October 22 through November 20. An artist's reception for "Soundings" will be held on Saturday, October 22, from 5 to 8 p.m., and on Sunday, October 23, from 1 to 4 p.m. Subsequent weekend hours are noon to 5 p.m., and weekdays by appointment. The studio is located at 21 Bridge Street, 2nd floor, Lambertville. For information, call (609) 397-5679.

### Robert Beck's Paintings On Display in "Soundings"

Robert Beck's award-winning paintings are being presented in an exhibition titled "Soundings," opening October 22, and running through November 20, at the Studio & Gallery of Robert Beck in Lambertville. The show features images painted in England, France, Maine, and the Bucks County region, as well as recent studio paintings generated from memory and imagination.

This collection of work reveals movement in his notable vision, technique, and style. Mr. Beck creates per-

ceptive works painted from life — sometimes under extraordinary circumstances — but he also produces genre images of great sensitivity such as *Regulars*, painted at 5 a.m. in a Maine breakfast shop. He is also breaking new ground with allegorical paintings as in his recent *Love's Notions and Novelties*, which was on display at this summer's Phillips Mill 75th Anniversary Exhibition.

Mr. Beck considers this transition part of a continuing evolution. "The growth comes in spurts," he said. "You keep pushing, something gives, and you find yourself seeing things a little differently or speaking

a more informed language. Then you ask, 'What happens if I try something else?', and push again. The art is in the push."

As an alumnus of the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts and a life-long resident of Bucks County, Mr. Beck's work is steeped in Pennsylvania Impressionist history. At the same time, he is traveling an unparalleled path with his paintings, which "have brought recognition to the artist and to the county," as Erika Jaeger-Smith wrote in *American Art Review*.

An artist's reception for "Soundings" will be held on Saturday, October 22, from 5

to 8 p.m., and on Sunday, October 23, from 1 to 4 p.m. Subsequent weekend hours are noon to 5 p.m., and weekdays by appointment.

The Painting Studio & Gallery of Robert Beck is located at 21 Bridge Street, 2nd floor, Lambertville. For information, call (609) 397-5679, email rbeck@snlp.net, or visit [www.robertbeck.artspan.com](http://www.robertbeck.artspan.com).

### Early French Artists Highlighted in Exhibit

The Jane Voorhees Zimmerli Art Museum presents, "Breaking the Mold: Sculpture in Paris from Daumier to Rodin," a comprehensive exhibition documenting the aesthetic, thematic, and technical concerns of sculptors in Paris from 1832 to the early years of the 20th century.

"This large scale exhibition should delight and surprise visitors to the Zimmerli with a broad sampling of engaging work, ranging from the unusual to the more well-known from this period," said Director Gregory Perry.

The exhibition will be shown from October 23 through March 12, 2006, in the Voorhees Special Exhibition Galleries.

"Breaking the Mold" is the first comprehensive exhibition in the United States of French 19th century sculpture in 25 years. It indicates the variety of sources from which artists found inspiration to break from academic conventions including non-Western (Japanese), pre-Classical ancient art, and popular and folk art forms. The works selected display the full range of media explored by these artists, including plaster, terra-cotta, bronze, wax, wood, and mixed media. The exhibition presents many unpublished works by lesser known artists and puts these into context with works by major figures of the era, such as Edgar Degas, Paul Gauguin, Pierre-Auguste Renoir, Auguste Rodin, Henri Matisse, and Constantin Brancusi.

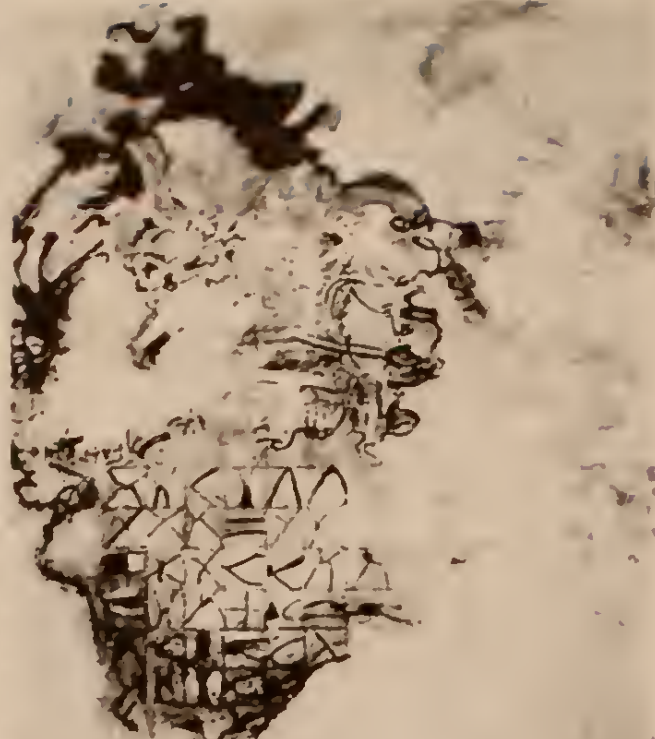
More than half of the sculptures presented in "Breaking the Mold," out of a total of 180 works, belong to the Jane Voorhees Zimmerli Art Museum. These are supplemented by over 100 sculptures on loan from U.S. museums, such as the National Gallery of Art, Washington, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Art Institute of Chicago, the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Smithsonian Institution, and several private collections.

Accompanying the exhibition is a fully-illustrated catalogue with essays by the exhibition's curator, Phillip Dennis Cate, who provides a historical overview of French sculpture between 1832 and 1914. Other contributors include Anne Pingeot and Edouard Papet, curators of sculpture at the Musée d'Orsay in Paris.

"Breaking the Mold" is supported by the Samuel Kress Foundation, the Florence J. Gould Foundation, and Kate and Scott Voorhees.

On Saturday, October 22, the Zimmerli will offer an international symposium from 1:30 to 6 p.m., in conjunction with the exhibition. The half-day symposium will explore the development of modern sculpture in France from the first reactions against academicism to the influence of Impressionism and Japonisme at the end of the 19th century. Pre-registration is required by calling (732) 932-7237, ext. 615.

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### Val's 2003

**"DEFINITION":** Johnson and Johnson World Headquarters Gallery is currently exhibiting, "The Voice of the Flesh," paintings by Val Sivilli. The exhibit, which is part of the gallery's ongoing New Jersey Artist Series, is on view through November 10, and displays the artist's impressions of the human figure. Johnson and Johnson is located at One Johnson and Johnson Plaza in New Brunswick. The gallery is open by appointment only, by calling (732) 524-6957.

located at 71 Hamilton Street, on the College Avenue Campus of Rutgers University in New Brunswick. Hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and noon to 5 p.m. on the weekends. Admission is \$3 for adults and free for museum members, Rutgers University students,

faculty and staff (with ID), and children under 18. The museum is open free to the public on the first Sunday of every month.

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**"HOMAGE TO VENUS":** This oil on canvas is now on display at The Williams Gallery in Princeton, as part of an exhibit, "Trembling Then and Now," paintings and lithographs by Reva Urban (1925-1987). The exhibit is on display through November 1. The gallery is located at 6 Olden Lane, and is open Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m., by appointment only. To arrange a viewing, call (609) 921-1142, or email [wmgallery@aol.com](mailto:wmgallery@aol.com).

### Installations, Guns, Rugs Part of Hunterdon Exhibit

Beginning on Sunday, October 23, three new exhibitions will open at the Hunterdon Museum of Art, with an opening reception, which will be held from 2 to 4 p.m.

"Umbra States," an installation of works by Philadelphia artist Jeanne Jaffe, will be one of the exhibits on view. Ms. Jaffe will give a brief lecture on her art on Sunday at 1 p.m.

The artist's sculptures are hybrid forms-fusions of animate and inanimate objects that create both recognition and surprise in the viewer. The exhibition includes evocative and mysterious prints, sculpture and wall drawings. Arranged in groupings, Ms. Jaffe's sculptural figurines suggest their interaction at various emotional and enigmatic levels.



**"WOMENSWEAR":** The work of Princeton artist Marie Sturken is currently on display at the Women and Gender Studies lounge, 113 Dickinson Hall, at Princeton University. In her work, the artist uses recycled images which have evolved over time, tearing and distressing the material to give it new life and new meaning. The exhibit, "Womenswear," is on display through November 1. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, visit [maria.sturken.artspan.com](http://maria.sturken.artspan.com).

Mr. Hand's images of guns are similarly defused objects. "Hello Kitty Smith & Wesson" is a large soft sculpture in the form of a handgun emblazoned with the Hello Kitty brand. Using a beloved children's character on the gun's handle is both provocative and a representation of how the artist feels that children are the prey of advertising. In other works, he uses glitter and faux fur to suggest how guns, fashion, and jewelry have all become accessories for a certain type of American lifestyle.

Ms. White has been working on a series called "America's Choice: Guns, Pornography, and Cell Phones." The paintings in the exhibition come from that series. Like the other two artists, Ms. White makes note of America's fascination with the gun. Using Barbie band-aids, the decorative pattern of the American flag, and the daily newspapers' stock market reports as the paint in the image of these handguns, she exemplifies her opinion that American identity, American commerce, and American popular culture are intertwined with gun culture.

While most contemporary textile exhibitions focus on quilts, one exhibition at the Hunterdon Museum of Art highlights another important decorative folk art: rugs. "Rags to Riches: Handcrafted Rugs," represents a variety of artists, styles, media, and rug-making techniques and explores the diversity and utility of creative rugmaking, including the use of recycled materials.

"Rags to Riches" is curated by Robert Logan, director of Media Gallery, Garnett, Kansas. The exhibition is organized and toured by ExhibitsUSA. The purpose of ExhibitsUSA is to create access to an array of arts and humanities exhibitions, nurture the development and understanding of diverse art forms and cultures, and encourage the expanding depth and breadth of cultural life in local communities.

Located in Clinton, the Hunterdon Museum of Art's gallery hours are Tuesday through Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, contact the museum at (908) 735-8415. Suggested admission is \$3.

### Female Artists Celebrated In New Brunswick Show

The Douglass Library's Mary H. Dana Women Artists Series will celebrate its 35th anniversary with an exhibition entitled, "Re: Generation." This multi-artist exhibition is curated by Independent producer-editor Molly Snyder Fink and artist Joan Snyder.

The opening reception for the exhibition will be held at the Mabel Smith Douglass Library, off of George Street and Chapel Drive on the Douglass College campus of Rutgers University in New Brunswick, from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, October 21. The evening will include the Estelle Lebowitz Artist-in-Residence lecture, "Inheriting Art by Molly Snyder Fink." Refreshments will be served and complete versions of two media pieces will be shown from 8 to 9 p.m.

The show brings together panel and photographic works on paper, vinyl, mylar, and paint, as well as sculptures from light weight products to wood and polychrome.

The public is invited to come and meet the artists,

experience the contemporary art world, and enjoy the company and conversation of others interested in what's happening today in the world of art. For more information, visit [www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/exhibitsdana\\_women.shtml#current](http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/rul/exhibitsdana_women.shtml#current).

### Artist Mel Lelpzig Speaks On French Masters

Mel Lelpzig, artist and professor of art and art history at Mercer County Community College, will discuss 300 years of French art when he presents "Survey of French Painting: 1650 to 1950" on Tuesday, October 25, at noon. Offered as part of the college's Distinguished Lecture Series, the talk will be held on Mercer's West Windsor campus in the Communications Building, CN110, 1200 Old Trenton Road. The talk will be teleconferenced to the col-

lege's James Kearney Campus, North Broad and Academy Streets, Room 319. The program is free and open to the public.

Mr. Lelpzig will illustrate his lecture with a slide presentation. Among the French masters he will focus on are Poussin, Watteau, David, Delacroix, Gericauld, Millet, Corot, Manet, Monet, Cezanne, Gauguin, Matisse, and Duchamp.

A long-time Trenton resident, Mr. Lelpzig has participated in numerous one-man and group shows from the East Coast to Moscow. Often exhibited at the Gallery Henoeh in New York City, he has an upcoming show at the gallery from November 10 through December 3, that features many of his MCCC colleagues. Among the museums and institutions that display Mr. Lelpzig's works are the

White House Collection in Washington, D.C., the Whitney Museum of American Art, the Yale University Art Gallery, the National Endowment for the Arts Gallery, the New Jersey State Museum, and the Cooper-Hewitt Museum.

Mr. Lelpzig was the recipient of a Fulbright Fellowship in Paris and the Louis Comfort Tiffany Award. He received one of the last individual artist grants awarded by the National Endowment for the Arts (1995), as well as three grants from the New Jersey Council on the Arts. He earned a master's degree in fine arts degree from Pratt Institute, and a bachelor's degree in fine arts from Yale University's School of Art and Architecture, as well as a three-year certificate from The Cooper Union.

For more information, call (609) 586-1800, ext. 3324.



**"COMIC BOOK ART":** Pictured is a comic drawn by Michael V. LaRiccia, who is teaching "Comic Book Art", a drawing class for teens starting October 29 at the Arts Council of Princeton's conTEMPORARY Arts Center, located at the Princeton Shopping Center. Registration is still underway for children's, teen, and adult classes both on the Web site, at [www.artscouncilofprinceton.org](http://www.artscouncilofprinceton.org), or by calling (609) 924-8777.

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**The Hopewell Frame Shop's Gallery** is featuring the works of award-winning painter and illustrator, Taylor Oughton, through October 29. An open house will be held on the closing date of the exhibit, from 6 to 8 p.m. The gallery is also currently exhibiting watercolor paintings of animals by Beatrice Bork. The gallery is located at 24 West Broad Street, Hopewell. Hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information call (609) 466-0817, or email [hopewellframeshop@comcast.net](mailto:hopewellframeshop@comcast.net).

**The James A. Michener Art Museum** is displaying the sculpture works of Philadelphia woodworker Kathran Siegel, in a show titled, "Still Life, Real Life." The artist's works will be on display through November 6. Museum hours are Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. The gallery is also open Wednesday evenings until 9 p.m. The gallery is located at 138 South Pine Street, Doylestown, Pa. For more information, call (215) 340-9800.

**Princeton Public Library** is featuring the works of acclaimed photographer Ricardo Barros in the second floor Reference Gallery, through October 30. The exhibit is being co-sponsored by the Arts Council of Princeton. For more information, visit [www.ricardobarros.com](http://www.ricardobarros.com). Also on display at the library are selected prints from the Rutgers Center for Innovative Print and Paper. For library hours, call (609) 924-9529, or visit [www.princetonlibrary.org](http://www.princetonlibrary.org).

**Princeton Township** is currently displaying the works of Town Topics photographer Edward (E.J.) Greenblatt, in the Township Municipal Building at 400 Witherspoon Street, through October 21. The exhibit is a photographic tribute to the Princeton Fire Department, and part of the sale of each work will be donated to the Department. For more information, call (609) 924-5704.

**The Princeton Theological Seminary's Erdman Art Gallery** is currently exhibiting "Birds," a show by artist Dallas Pitrowski, featuring a series of wildlife paintings. The exhibit will run through

October 21. The gallery is located in Erdman Hall, 20 Library Place, at the Center of Continuing Education. Gallery hours are Monday through Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Sunday, 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. For more information, call (609) 497-7990.

**Princeton University, Firestone Library, Main Gallery** is showing the exhibit "Hellenic Journeys" through October 23. This exhibit celebrates 25 years of the Program in Hellenic Studies at Princeton University. The gallery is located on 1 Washington Road and is open weekdays 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Wednesday evenings 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., and weekends from noon to 5 p.m. For more information, call (609) 258-3155.

**Princeton University, Mudd Library**, is currently exhibiting, "1945: A World United and Divided," which highlights the epochal year that marked the end of World War II. The exhibit, which runs through January 31, 2006, includes documents, letters, diaries, and photographs drawn from Mudd Library's and Princeton University's archives. The exhibit can be viewed Monday through Friday, 8:45 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. The exhibit is also open Wednesdays until 8 p.m. Mudd Library is located at 65 Olden St., on Princeton University's campus. For more information, call (609) 258-6345.

**The Trenton City Museum**, in collaboration with McCarter Theatre, is currently exhibiting, "Preserving Our Past: An Inspiring Exhibit Honoring Those Who Chronicle Our Heritage," on display through January 22, 2006. The exhibit, which is tied to McCarter's production of *Gem of the Ocean*, features the Arts Council of Princeton's quilt, a photographic tribute to the Witherspoon-Jackson neighborhood. The museum is also currently exhibiting "Leaving the Canvas," a group exhibition on display through November 6. Located in the Ellarslie Mansion in Cadwalader Park in Trenton, the museum's hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, call (609) 989-3632.

**The Silvia Gallery of Art**, located at the Pennington School, will hold its first alumni art exhibition, "Doorway to the Working Mind," from October 20 through November 4. A reception for the 27 alumni artists will be held on October 22, from 4 to 6 p.m. The gallery is located at 112 West Delaware Avenue in Pennington. Hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Fri-

day, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, noon to 4 p.m.; and Wednesday, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. For more information, call (609) 737-8069, ext. 400.

**Toad Hall Shop and Gallery**, located at Grounds For Sculpture, is currently exhibiting "Vessels," a show featuring metal sculptures by Rory Mahon and Catherine Perry, Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The exhibit is closed on Wednesdays. For more information, call (609) 452-2525, and is open Tuesday through Sunday, 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call (609) 586-2366, or visit [www.groundsforsculpture.org](http://www.groundsforsculpture.org).

**The Present Day Club** is exhibiting the works of Pratt Institute alumna Janet Haultau. The artist's works include illustrations, photographs, and prints, as well as mono prints derived from her photographs.

The exhibit will be on view through November 2. The Present Day Club is located at 72 Stockton Street, and holds gallery hours Monday through Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The exhibit is closed on Wednesdays. For more information, call (609) 452-2525.

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## THEATER REVIEW

# Theatre Intime Features 30 Neo-Futurist Plays in 60 Minutes, In a Smorgasbord of Spontaneous, Serious and Absurd Theatrics.

When you roll the dice to determine your ticket price, receive a "Hello my name is..." name tag with a very different name on it from the one you gave to the iPod-wearing host in dark glasses, can't tell who's an actor and who's an audience member, find that your program is a "menu" containing 30 items to take place in whatever order the audience decides — then you might suspect you're in for an unusual theater adventure.

*Too Much Light Makes the Baby Go Blind* (30 Plays in 60 Minutes), currently running in a Theatre Intime production at Hamilton Murray Theater on the Princeton University campus, is a post-modern extravaganza. Originally created by Greg Allen and the Chicago Neo-Futurists in 1988, *Too Much Light* ranges from serious social commentary to the irreverent and irrelevant. It won't tax your attention span. The 30 plays speed by, ranging in duration from less than a minute to no more than four or five minutes each.

High energy and remarkable versatility characterize the cast of thirteen plus two emcees. The atmosphere is boisterous, with constant participation from the audience, and the production creates a world of honesty, spontaneity, and surprise with its hodgepodge of material — some highbrow, some lowbrow, some blingly caustic, some shapeless or utterly ridiculous.

The evening has the feel of a *Rocky Horror Picture Show* or the British music hall theater, where the enthusiastic audience and the actors participate together to entertain themselves. The animated emcees (Ashley Alexander and Tyler Crosby) stand on either side of the stage under a clothesline attached to which are pieces of paper numbered one to thirty. Before each scene the audience shouts out its requests for the number to be performed next, and the sequence of events is determined by audience demand. No telling what might happen on any given night, but there's plenty of bawdy adult humor here, as well as some potentially offensive language and brief nudity (it could even be you, if you're brave enough to volunteer!).

Many sources of inspiration are detectable in this eclectic evening. On their website (neofuturists.org), the Chicago Neo-Futurists write: "From our namesakes, the Italian Futurists, came the exultation of speed, brevity, compression, dynamism, and the explosion of preconceived notions. From Dada and Surrealism came the joy of randomness and the thrill of the unconscious. From the theatrical experiments of the 1960s came audience interaction, breaking down all notions of distance, character, setting and illusion. From the political turmoil of the 1980s came a socially conscious voice and a low-tech, 'poor theater' format."

The highlights of the experience? It all depends on what you're looking for. In a solemn, serious vein — only three or four of the thirty scenes (The tone of the rest of the evening does not always lend itself to smooth transitions.), "Moving Targets," a chilling testimony by a rape victim, stands out. The dramatic image is unforgettable here as a target is drawn on one young woman's back, downstage center, while another woman describes an aftermath as devastating as the act itself: "Sharing my experience was like being raped all over again."

If it's biting and timely social satire you're looking for, "Remember the Maine," performed by four actors holding up an American flag, deftly skewers the jingoistic rationales our country drums up for going to war. Bellicose leaders always seem to be looking for the "Wow" factor to help rally support and to "keep those atrocities coming." Equally

pointed on the domestic scene is the "Raggedy Ann and Mary Calt Show!" in which Mary's increasingly hostile and vociferous Raggedy Ann doll becomes a mouthpiece for a particularly bigoted and brutal interpretation of "family values."

Gentler in their lampoons, in the David Ives (*All in the Timing*) mode of witty word play and comically revealing social interaction, are the short and sweet "Independent/Codependent," the extremely clever and skillfully performed "Choice of Vegetable," in which guests at a restaurant place their orders for the particular personality type and life style they desire; "Duelling Bigots," in which two characters exchange insults on large flashcards all to the tune of *Dueling Banjos*; "Title" and "Stretch It Into Overtime," both of which take penetrating looks at male-female relationships, the latter in the manner of a football game with a referee constantly calling fouls against the two antagonists.



**DIRECTOR IN DISTRESS:** Director Alex Limpacher (on the ground) faces the wrath of his Theatre Intime cast members in "No Tech! No Tech!" one of the 30 two-minute plays from "Too Much Light Makes the Baby Go Blind," originally created by Greg Allen and the Chicago Neo-Futurists and playing for one more weekend, October 20-22, at Hamilton Murray Theater on the Princeton University campus.

and legs in order to "stop the genocide of hair."

And for all you wannabe performers, the opportunities here are plentiful, including "Understudy," where you can go up on stage with six other members of the audience, and you get a colorful prop weapon and some actual lines and stage directions; or "Do What you Will," where you have two and one-half minutes to just hang out with cast and audience; or "Watch Me Watch You," where the interactions take place in the dark; or, perhaps most memorable of all (I don't want to give too much away here, but beware!), "Manifest Destiny," in which four volunteers from the audience, one at a time, come on stage and are offered a dollar apiece to fulfill simple requests.

The resourceful, flexible and engaging undergraduate ensemble features (as listed in the program, "In no order whatsoever") Georgie Sherrington, Jazmine Da Costa, Roger Q. Mason, Kass Jackson, Ashley Johnson, Rebecca Gold, Jonathan Miller, Kent Kuran, Andy Hoover, Molly Jamieson, Mary Calt Walthall, Whitney Mosery and Jon Ryan. Sophomore Erik Limpacher directed the evening's festivities, and Will Ellerbe handled the functional, straightforward lighting design.

If you're a fan of the wit, whimsy and sheer outrageousness of Theater of the Absurd, of Monty Python or of David Ives (*All in the Timing*) you'll find yourself, frequently, in familiar and happy territory here. If you're a traditionalist, looking for a well-made play, uncomfortable with randomness, the inexplicable, the arbitrary, the occasionally chaotic, not keen on interacting with performers who want to break down the barriers between actor and audience, then perhaps *Too Much Light Makes the Baby Go Blind* and the Neo-Futurists are not for you. (Ditto for those of you who need to know the significance of titles.)

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## Jazz Trio to Perform At Hopewell Restaurant

The jazz program at the Hopewell Valley Bistro will welcome the John Bunch Trio on Saturday, October 22 from 7 to 10 p.m. The band features recording artist John Bunch on piano, Joel Forbes on bass, and Tony DiNicola on drums.

Described by one reviewer as "the Fred Astaire of the piano," Mr. Bunch has been heard at many European festivals and New York clubs. He has performed in the big bands of Woody Herman, Maynard Ferguson, and Benny Goodman, as well as the small groups of Zoot Sims/Al Cohn, Gene Krupa, and Buddy Rich. A favorite of other musicians, he has accompanied Tony Bennett and plays regularly as co-leader with Bucky Pizzarelli of New York Swing. He has recorded with Concord and Arbors.

A Mercer County resident, Mr. DiNicola has performed with the Freddy Martin orchestra and was a member of the Harry James Orchestra. He served on the faculty of the College of New Jersey, developing jazz bands and teaching percussion. In 1994, he was honored at the Trenton Jazz Festival for his contributions to music as a musician and educator.

Returning for his second appearance at the Bistro, Mr. Forbes is a master of the acoustic bass and has performed on the New York jazz scene for 20 years.

For reservations, call (609) 466-9889. The Hopewell Valley Bistro, at 15 East Broad Street, Hopewell, offers a

fixed price menu that includes appetizer, soup/salad, entrée, dessert, coffee, and the entertainment.

## Rutgers Sets Schedule For Jewish Film Festival

The 6th annual Rutgers New Jersey Jewish Film Festival, featuring award-winning films from around the world, will take place November 10 through 20 at the Regal Cinema Commerce Center, 2399 Route 1 South, North Brunswick.

Most of the screenings will include a discussion by film directors or experts in various aspects of the Jewish experience. The event is sponsored by Rutgers' Allen and Joan Bildner Center for the Study of Jewish Life.

The festival will open with a reception at 6 p.m. on Thursday, November 10, followed by a screening at 7:30 p.m. of *Watermarks*, an examination of the champion female swimmers of Hakoah Vienna, a Jewish sports club founded in 1909 in response to laws forbidding Austrian sports clubs from accepting Jewish athletes. The film includes footage from Vienna in the 1930s and recent interviews with the swimmers, and documents their reunion after 36 years. An additional screening of the film will take place at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, November 13. Greta Stanton, a diver with the former club and professor emerita at Rutgers, will speak at both screenings.

*Ushpiziu*, an Israeli film, will be given its New Jersey

premiere with a showing at 8 p.m. on Saturday, November 12. Set in the customarily closed world of ultra-Orthodox Jews, it explores the life of a childless Orthodox couple who find themselves penniless in Israel on the eve of Sukkot. Unexpected visitors result in events that challenge the couple's faith and position in the community.

*Syrian Bride*, also making its New Jersey debut, portrays the dilemmas confronting the Druze community, which is split between Syria and the Israeli-controlled Golan Heights. Screenings are at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 15, and 3:45 p.m. Sunday, November 20.

Another *Road Home*, focusing on Israeli filmmaker Danae Elon and her emotional journey to locate the Palestinian man who helped raise her, will be shown at 8:15 p.m. on Thursday, November 17 and again at 1 p.m. on Sunday, November 20.

Additional festival screenings will include *Rosenstrasse*, a drama about Aryan women who protest the imprisonment of their Jewish spouses in 1943 in Germany, at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, November 13; and *Unzere Kinder* (Our Children), a 1948 Yiddish film documenting the first Jewish responses to the Holocaust, along with *My 100 Children*, the story of Lena Kuchler, who took orphaned and abandoned children to Israel after World War II, at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, November 15.

*Paper Clips*, which looks at a Holocaust awareness school project in a rural Tennessee town where there are no Jewish residents, and *Sister Rose's Passion*, a documentary about a Dominican nun who made the battle against anti-Semitism her life's work, will be shown at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 15 and noon Thursday, November 17. The festival will close with a dinner and screening of *Alles Auf Zucker* (Go for Zucker), the first Jewish comedy made in Germany since World War II, at 6 p.m.



**LENDING THEIR EARS, AND VOICES:** Members of AKWAABA, the Princeton University African Students Association, have assisted "Gem of the Ocean" director Ruben Santiago-Hudson and his cast with African language translations for the production, which opened this week at McCarter Theatre. The students also lent their voices to the show's sound production. Flanking Mr. Santiago-Hudson, center, are, from left, Marilyn M. Agbeko, class of '06, from Ghana; Oyenike O. Oyerinde, class of '08, from Nigeria; Richmond Owusu, class of '09, from Ghana; and Justin W. Karlo, class of '09, from Burkina Faso. Featuring John Amos, Phylicia Rashad, Russell Hornsby, and Chuck Patterson, among others, the play will run through October 30. For tickets, call (609) 258-2787.

Thursday, November 17 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, November 20.

Tickets are \$9 or \$6 for students and senior citizens. To order, visit [jewishstudies.rutgers.edu](http://jewishstudies.rutgers.edu), or call (732) 932-4166. Tickets may also be purchased at the Allen and Joan Bildner Center for the Study of Jewish Life, 12 College Avenue, New Brunswick.

## Public Library Schedules Event on Anti-Gay Bias

How young people react to discrimination against gay people will be explored at two age-specific programs at Princeton Public Library on Thursday, October 27, when the library hosts screenings of the film *Scout's Honor* and the display "Snapshot of My School." The programs will be offered for young people at 4 p.m., for parents at 7 p.m. The two-hour programs will be in the library's first floor Community Room.

A one-hour documentary about a straight teenager's

challenge to the anti-gay policies of the Boy Scouts of America, Scout's Honor will be shown in conjunction with "Snapshot of My School," a

display that includes art and writing from local students about homophobia in their schools. A discussion of the film and display will follow.

The programs are co-sponsored by the library, the year-old's opposition to the Princeton High School Gay-Straight Alliance, and his work in creating Scouting HiTOPS, a Princeton social services agency for young people.

Corrine O'Hara, HiTOPS staff educator, compiled "Snapshot of my School," a project that includes drawings and writings from Princeton-area students depicting what

their schools look like from a gay student's perspective. Ms. O'Hara will be at the event to present and discuss the "snapshots."

Scout's Honor won both the Sundance Film Festival's audience award for Best Documentary and the Festival's Freedom of Expression Award in 2001. It chronicles a 13-

year-old's opposition to the policies of the Boy Scouts and his work in creating Scouting HiTOPS, an advocacy organization working to change the Boy Scouts' policies against

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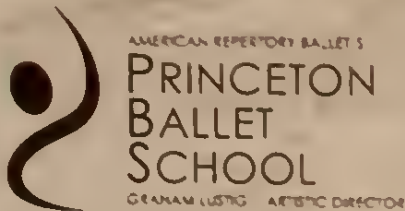
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## Harlem, Jazz Are Focus Of "Films with a Bite"

Harlem and jazz connect the films to be screened at the October edition of Princeton Public Library's new Films with a Bite documentary series. *The Art of Romare Bearden* and *A Great Day in Harlem* will be screened beginning at noon tomorrow, Thursday, October 20.

*The Art of Romare Bearden* will kick off the double feature. Mr. Bearden, a Harlem resident whose career spanned 50 years and included more than 2,000 works, is best known for his collages but also produced a variety of other works, including paintings, monotypes, murals, record album jackets, magazine and book illustrations, and costume and set designs. The documentary, produced by the National Gallery of Art, captures the diversity of his art. Directed by Carroll Moore and narrated by Morgan Freeman and Danny Glover, the film was released as part of an exhibition of the same name.

Barbara Silberstein, the Library's media librarian, said the event was inspired by the upcoming exhibition "Romare Bearden: Enchanter in Time," which will be on display October 29 to February 6 at the Michener Museum in Doylestown, Pa. "It came to my attention that the Museum will be hosting an exhibit on Romare Bearden beginning later this month," she said. "I thought it would be a good opportunity for folks to bone up on this artist by showing the film, *The Art of Romare Bearden*."

The Bearden film will be followed by a showing of *A Great Day in Harlem*, a documentary about the shooting of the famous 1959 Esquire magazine photograph of the same name. The photograph by Art Kane, taken in the summer of 1958, includes 57 musicians representing three generations of jazz history.



**MUSICAL MATCHMAKER:** Colleen Zenk Pinter will play Dolly Gallagher Levi in "Hello, Dolly!" beginning Wednesday, October 26 and running through Sunday, November 6 at the Bucks County Playhouse in New Hope, Pa. A daytime TV star on "As the World Turns," the Emmy-nominated Ms. Pinter will appear with her husband, Mark Pinter (playing Horace Vandergelder), who is also a regular on daytime and primetime television. Performances are Wednesday at 2 and 8 p.m., Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 4 and 8 p.m., and Sunday at 2 and 6 p.m. Tickets, priced at \$22 and \$24, may be ordered by calling the box office at (215) 862-2041.

(Photo by Sue Coffin/Max Photos)

This Academy Award nominated documentary, put together by Jean Bach and Matthew Seig, includes jazz greats such as Charles Mingus, Thelonious Monk, Dizzy Gillespie, Count Basie, and many others.

Films with a Bite will continue November 22 with *Discovering Domingo*, a documentary about victims of the 1982 Rio Negro massacre in Guatemala.

All Princeton Public Library programs are free and open to the public. For more information on library programs and services, visit [www.princetonlibrary.org](http://www.princetonlibrary.org).

## Sunday Series at Peddie To Present Magic Show

The Community Arts Partnership at the Peddie School (CAPPS) will continue its

2005-06 Light Sundays Series with the Spencers Theatre of Illusion on Sunday, November 13 at 2 p.m. in Peddie's Mount-Burke Theater. Tickets are \$16.

The Spencers — Kevin and Cindy Spencer — are known for offering more than a magic show. Their program combines original theatrical elements with magicians' illusions, audience interaction, dramatic lighting, special effects, music, movement, and stage magic.

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## McCarter Theatre Party To Benefit Child Agency

The Union Industrial Home for Children (UIH), the oldest child welfare agency in New Jersey, will host a theatre party at McCarter Theatre this Saturday, October 22. The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a catered reception and sale of handmade jewelry by Bonnie Frank Carter, followed by a performance of August Wilson's *Gem of the Ocean*, starring Phylcia Rashad and John Amos.

Tickets for the reception and performance are \$65, and may be reserved by call-



ing Virginia Hartung, UIH director, at (609) 695-1492. The mission of UIH is to promote effective families through innovative, culturally sensitive programs for parents and children. For more information about the agency, call (609) 695-1492 or visit [www.uih.org](http://www.uih.org).

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 24 - 8 pm

### RICHARD THOMPSON — Solo Acoustic Tour!

Singer/songwriter/guitarist Richard Thompson returns in an acoustic performance with Danny Thompson of his classic folk-rockers (*Persuasion*, *I Feel So Good*, *I Misunderstood*, 1952 *Vincent Black Lightning*, *Cokesferry Queen*) plus works from his two brand new CD releases: *Front Parlour Ballads* and *Live from Austin, TX*.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25 - 8 pm

### Dance at McCarter: COMPAGNIA ATERBALLETO in *Les Noces & Petruška*

*Les Noces* (*The Wedding*) and *Petruška*, two signature works of Diaghilev's *Ballet Russes*, undergo a 21st century re-imagining by Mauro Bionzetti.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 - 8 pm

### THE SALZBURG MARIONETTES in *Hansel and Gretel*

The Salzburg Marionettes arrive with its new production of *Hansel and Gretel*, the ever-popular opera by Humperdinck (which will be sung in English). (Please Note: This performance is recommended for older children.)

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**GETTING IT:** Princeton's Timothy Walton is encouraged by Angela Styko of Garwood, left, and Heather Diaforli-Day of Franklin Park to "Step Into Their Shoes" in the new production of the musical comedy "The It Girl," weekends at the Off-Broadstreet Theatre in Hopewell. Performances are Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2:30 p.m. through November 26. Ticket prices include dessert one hour before the show, with discounts for seniors available for Sunday matinees. For reservations, call (609) 466-2766.

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**CLASSICAL DUO:** Pianist Lars Vogt, left, and violinist Christian Tetzlaff will appear together for the first time when they present a joint recital at McCarter Theatre on Monday, October 24 at 8 p.m. The duo's Princeton appearance will be one of only five on its tour of U.S. cities during the 2005-06 season, which will also take them to Edinburgh, Lucerne, and Tokyo. Tickets range from \$33 to \$39; to order, call the McCarter Theatre box office at (609) 258-2787.

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## International Duo In Monday Concert At McCarter Theatre

Two classical musicians with international reputations will appear together for the first time at McCarter Theatre when they present a joint recital on Monday, October 24 at 8 p.m. The program, by violinist Christian Tetzlaff and pianist Lars Vogt, will include two Brahms' violin sonatas and works by Schumann and Webern.

The New York Times has described Mr. Tetzlaff as "one of the most brilliant and inquisitive artists of the new generation." Equally at home in the classical/romantic repertoire and in contemporary music, he is known for his interpretations of the violin concertos of Beethoven, Brahms, and Tchaikovsky, among others. He has founded his own string quartet and gives duo recitals with Leif Ove Andsnes and Mr. Vogt. During the 2005-06 season he will appear in concert with the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra, Chicago Symphony Orchestra, San Francisco Symphony, and New York Philharmonic. His highly regarded recordings include Bach's complete Sonatas and Partitas for Solo Violin and the complete works for violin and orchestra by Jean Sibelius with the Danish National Radio Orchestra.

The 2005-06 season finds Mr. Vogt embarking on an array of high-profile engagements in Europe, the U.S., and Japan, performing more than 80 concerts and releasing two recordings on EMI Classics. His collaborations with the great orchestras of the world will continue with appearances with the Berlin Philharmonic, London Symphony, Royal Stockholm Philharmonic, Munich Philharmonic, and many others. Also prized as a chamber musician, he will perform with various ensembles in Salzburg, Lucerne, Frankfurt, San Francisco, and Berlin. His duo recitals with Mr. Tetzlaff during the 2005-06 season will be heard in Edinburgh, Lucerne, Musashino, Tokyo, and four U.S. cities including Princeton.

Tickets are \$33, \$36, and \$39, with students \$10. To order by phone, call the McCarter Theatre box office at (609) 258-2787.

### New Stringzville Band To Play at 1860 House

A new ensemble that calls itself Stringzville will perform

acoustic string swing-style jazz at the Montgomery Center for the Arts' 1860 House Café on Saturday, November 5 from 8 to 11 p.m. The band's repertoire includes gypsy jazz, jazz standards, and bossa nova, music of Brazilian origin with complex harmonies and improvised passages.

Several members of Stringzville were part of the Cats in the Hat group that played at the Café last year: mandolin player Bo Child, guitarist Mark Hill, and Kathy Ridl on upright bass. They will be joined by guitarist Dennis O'Neal and fiddler Adam Krass.

The evening will also feature pianist Ken Schmidt and the Tritones, an a cappella singing group comprising Dotty Westgate, Jan Gottlieb, and Heather Robbins. The Tritones' repertoire will be "mostly a cappella," explained Ms. Westgate. "A cappella means singing without musical accompaniment. But we've been branching out lately and adding some musical accompaniment to our repertoire." Jamming and an open-mike segment will provide entertainment during the second half of the program.

A suggested donation of \$5 will cover admission and light refreshments.

The Montgomery Center for the Arts is located at 124 Montgomery Road, Skillman. For more information, call (609) 921-3272.

### PHS Orchestra Concert Will Celebrate Mozart

The Princeton High School Orchestra is preparing diligently for its first concert of the school year, and for its 2006 European Tour, which will take the orchestra to Italy, Austria, and Germany in February of next year.

Led by musical director Robert Loughran, the orchestra will celebrate Mozart's birthday on Friday, October 28, at 8 p.m., with a concert titled, "Happy 250th, Mozart!"

The program will feature the orchestra's current repertoire of music by Bach, Vivaldi, Rachmaninoff, Bernstein, and of course, Mozart. The concert will feature soloists and ensemble members of the orchestra, as well as a surprise guest or two. Those attending are invited to join the orchestra following the concert for cake, honoring Mozart's birthday.

Tickets are \$5 for general admission, and can be purchased by contacting the orchestra office at (609) 806-4280, through the orchestra's web site, at www.phs



**BAROQUE ARTIST:** Robert Civielli, principal solo trumpet with the Dallas Bach Society and New York's Concert Royal, will be a guest with Le Triomphe de l'amour when the ensemble performs a concert of Baroque music on Saturday, November 5 at the Unitarian Church of Princeton. The program will explore the repertoire for the baroque, or natural, trumpet, shown here. Tickets are \$15, available at the door, with discounts for seniors and students.

orchestra.org, or through any of the orchestra's current members. Limited tickets will also be available at the door the night of the performance.

All proceeds will benefit the PHS Orchestra's 2006 European Tour Fund. Among the destinations the orchestra will travel to are Venice and Cortina D'Ampezzo Italy, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany, and Bad Hofgastein and Salzburg, Austria.

For additional information about the concert, the tour, donations, or the orchestra, visit [www.phsorchestra.org](http://www.phsorchestra.org), or call (609) 806-4280.

### University Slates Annual Joy-in-Singing Concert

The Friends of Music at Princeton will present baritone Alexander Hurd with pianist Jacob Greenberg in recital at the University's Taplin Auditorium in Fine Hall on Sunday, October 30 at 3 p.m. The program is presented in conjunction with Joy-in-Singing, a New York-based organization that promotes knowledge and love of song literature and assists the careers of young recitalists and American composers.

The recital is open to the public without admission charge.

The winner of the 2005 Joy-in-Singing Award, Mr. Hurd is also a second prize winner of the 2004 Young Concert Artists International Auditions, first prize winner at the Vocal Arts Resource Network Song Competition, and the holder of fellowships to the Aspen Music Festival and Tanglewood Music Center. He has appeared throughout the United States and Europe in

concert and operatic appearances. He is an assistant professor of music at the University at Buffalo, where he teaches song literature and directs the opera studio.

Mr. Greenberg has performed extensively as a soloist, chamber, and collaborative pianist. The holder of degrees from Oberlin College, he completed his master's and doctoral programs at Northwestern University and has been a recipient of fellowships to the Tanglewood and Aspen Music Festivals. He was the winner of the Outstanding Accompanist Special Award at the Louise D. McMahon International Music Competition.

The recital will open with songs by Arnold Schoenberg, Hugo Wolf, and Franz Schubert, and conclude with *Histoires naturelles* of Maurice Ravel and cabaret songs of William Bolcom.



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### Concerto for Two Pianos On Halloween Concert Bill

The Westminster Community Orchestra, conducted by Ruth Ochs, will present its first concert of the 2005-06 season on Sunday, October 30, at 4 p.m. in Richardson Auditorium. The program will include Aram Khatchaturian's *Mosquerode Suite*, Mozart's *Concerto for Two Pianos* and *Orchestra in E-flat* featuring Phyllis Alpert Lehrer and Ena Bronstein Barton, Anatoly Lyadov's *Boba Yogo*, and Aaron Copland's *Billy the Kid*.

Currently in her first season with the Westminster Community Orchestra, Ms. Ochs holds degrees in music and orchestral conducting from Harvard University and the University of Texas, and is currently pursuing a doctorate in musicology at Princeton University. The music director of the Austin Philharmonic for the 2001-02 season, she currently serves as music director of the Princeton University Sinfonia and assistant conductor of the Princeton University Orchestra.



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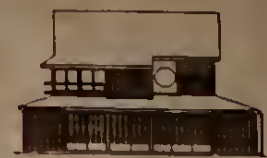
Ms. Lehrer is known internationally as a performer, teacher, clinician, author, and adjudicator. She has had an active concert career as a soloist and collaborative artist in the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, Taiwan, Japan, Sweden and Russia. Ms. Barton has received many honors throughout her career, including a 1976 Martha Baird Rockefeller Grant, which resulted in a solo recital at Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall, and the 1996 Distinguished Artists Piano Award presented by Artists International. The Barton-Lehrer duo has been performing regularly throughout the United States since 1984.

Founded in 1985, the Westminster Community Orchestra presents programs noted for their diverse repertoire and broad appeal. Orchestra members are professional and amateur musicians from New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The orchestra is a performing ensemble from Westminster Conservatory of Music, which offers programs at its main branch in Princeton, and at extension divisions at St. Ann's School in Lawrenceville, Crossroads School South in South Brunswick, Princeton Academy of the Sacred Heart in Princeton, and two new locations in Bucks County, Pa.

Admission to the concert is \$15 for adults, \$10 for senior citizens and students. For tickets, call the Richardson box office at (609) 258-5000.



**SOLD OUT:** Seats for legendary jazz pianist Marian McPartland's concert this Friday, October 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the Berlind Theatre have been sold out. Widely known as the host of "Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz" on National Public Radio, Ms. McPartland will kick off a new Berlind series of concerts featuring jazz pianists that will also include Brad Mehldau on March 19 and Hiromi on April 23, both at 4 p.m. Standing room only tickets for Ms. McPartland are available at \$15; to order, call (609) 258-2787.



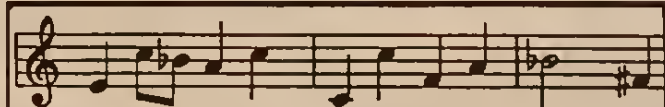
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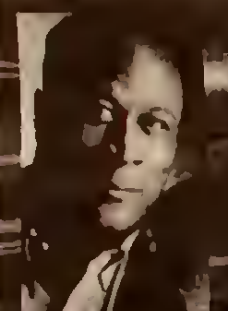
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### Westminster Conservatory Begins Its Chamber Series

The second season of Westminster Conservatory's Kaleidoscope Chamber Series will open with a performance in Rider University's Gill Memorial Chapel at 3 p.m. on Sunday, October 30. The Kaleidoscope Series features chamber music for mixed ensembles and compositions by Conservatory faculty members.

The program, titled *The Devil, o Phantom, and the Blues*, will feature two works with a seasonal connection. Stravinsky's *L'Histoire du soldat*, here in a version for violin, clarinet, and piano, was originally conceived as a ballet with narration about a fiddle-playing soldier's bargain with the devil. Charles Martin Loeffler's *Deux Rhapsodies* for oboe, viola, and piano, includes a musical depiction of a phantom bagpiper. The program will also include Jack Gottlieb's *Downtown Blues* for Uptown Hollis for soprano, clarinet, and piano, and *Trois chansons nostalgiques* for soprano and piano by Westminster Conservatory faculty member Carmen Matelescu.

The performers will be Nancy Froyland Hoerl, soprano; Melissa Bohl, oboe; Kenneth Ellison, clarinet; Elissa Wagman, violin; Marjorie Selden, viola; and Donald Dolan, Suzanne Lehrer, Carmen Matelescu, and Kathy Shanklin, piano.

A pianist and composer, Dr. Matelescu is head of the theory department at Westminster Conservatory and a member of the piano faculty. She is also an adjunct faculty member of the Mason Gross School of the Arts at Rutgers University. She is the author of the textbook series *Theory, Solfege, and Ear Training* and the co-author of the LP series *The Traditional*.

Folk Music Bond, which deals with Romanian ethnic music. She has a doctorate from Mason Gross School of the Arts in composition and theory, a Master of Music from Ciprian Porumbescu Music Conservatory, and a Bachelor of Music from the Music Lycee, Bucharest.

Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors. For tickets, call the Westminster Choir College box office at (609) 921-2663.

Other events in the Kaleidoscope Chamber Series will take place at 8 p.m. on Friday, December 9 in the Bristol Chapel, *Christmas with the Bach Family*; at 3 p.m. on Sunday, January 29 in the Gill Chapel, the debut performance by the Kaleidoscope Chamber Orchestra; and at 8 p.m. on Sunday, March 19 in Bristol Chapel, *Shostakovich* at 100.



**GUITAR GREAT:** British folk-rock icon Richard Thompson, named one of the top 20 guitarists in the world by *Rolling Stone* magazine, will return to McCarter Theatre for his annual fall concert on Tuesday, October 25 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$32, \$35, and \$38, and may be ordered by calling (609) 258-2787.

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**CINEMA REVIEW***Dreamer***Shades of Seabiscuit Abound in Against-the-Odds Horseracing Adventure**

**D**reamer is a delightful film that will enthrall young and old alike. Similar to *Seabiscuit*, the story recounts the exploits of a long shot

turned into a horseracing legend with the help of a team of handlers who refuse to give up on each other or their horse.

The movie is based on the adventures of Mariah's Storm, a promising two-year-old who fractured her left front shin bone in 1993. The filly recovered from that life-threatening injury and was able to race again, confounding the odds makers at a Breeder's Cup showdown a couple of years later against the favorite, Serena's Song.

Apart from the broken leg at the outset and the big Breeder's Cup finale, the intervening events which unfold in *Dreamer* bear little resemblance to what actually transpired in the career of Mariah's Storm. The fictionalized account in the movie is a product of the imagination of the Hollywood artists that was inspired by the horse.

*Dreamer* is highly recommended, principally because of 11-year-old Dakota Fanning's performance. She has previously been paired successfully with Sean Penn (*I Am Sam*), Denzel Washington (*Man On Fire*), and Tom Cruise (*War Of The Worlds*). This time Kurt Russell benefits from Ms. Fanning's acting.

Kurt Russel stars as Ben Crane, a down-on-his-luck horse whisperer whose talents are not appreciated either by his boss Palmer (David Morse), or by the consortium of Arab sheiks whose thoroughbreds

he trains. The action begins when Cale (Fanning) witnesses a race which ends in her favorite steed, Sonador (Spanish for "dreamer") having a nasty spill.



**WISE BEYOND HER YEARS:** Cale (Dakota Fanning) feeds Sonador a juicy tidbit. Thanks to her belief in the horse, she and her father, with the help of their trainers were able to nurse Sonadora back to health after breaking a leg in a race.

(Photo by Joe Lederer)

While Palmer seeks permission from owner Prince Tariq (Antonio Albadran) to put the horse to sleep right on the track, Cale pressures her father Ben Crane to intervene, convinced that the horse can be nursed back to health.

Crane is unfairly blamed for the broken leg and fired on the spot. As severance pay, he gets to keep Sonador, provided he also agrees to "take the Mexicans with you," meaning Manolin (Freddie Rodriguez), a disfigured jockey afraid to jump back in the saddle, and Balon (Luis Guzman), a loquacious steward with a good sense of humor.

The four take Sonador back to the Crane family farm in Lexington, Kentucky. The family patriarch (played by Kris Kristofferson) warns everybody that the horse can't be rehabilitated.

**D**reamer's story is little more than a march to the Breeder's Cup, however, the father-daughter relationship is the central feature of the film. Cale alternates between being adorable — to wise beyond her years, and is adept at winding her father around her little finger. Some of the slow-motion sequences capturing jockey Manolin's triumphant return to the track are compelling, however, there's never any mystery as to what is about to unfold. Nonetheless, the audience at my screening was so moved by the movie's resolution that it cheered once during the denouement and again as the credits rolled.

Fine, old-fashioned, family-oriented entertainment.

Excellent (★★★½). Rating: PG for a mild epithet. Running time: 102 minutes. Studio: Dreamworks Pictures.

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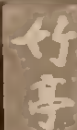
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**Capote** (R for violence and profanity). Philip Seymour Hoffman handles the title role of this bio-pic about the period in author Truman Capote's life when he was researching the events surrounding the 1959 murders in Kansas which were the subject of his award-winning best seller *In Cold Blood*. Co-starring Catherine Keener as Harper Lee.

**Corpse Bride** (PG for scary images and mild epithets). Tim Burton directs this stop-action, animated adventure, set in the 19th century, about a young man (Johnny Depp) who ends up married to a zombie (Helena Bonham Carter) instead of his fiancée (Emily Watson) after playfully slipping a wedding ring onto a rotted finger he finds in the forest.

**Domino** (R for nudity, sexuality, graphic violence, profanity, and drug use). Bio-pic about the life of Domino Harvey (Kelra Knightley) who abandoned a promising career as a Ford model to become a bounty hunter. Jesse Pate plays her father, Oscar-nominated actor, Laurence Harvey (*The Manchurian Candidate*), while the big-name cast also features Christopher Walken, Macy Gray, Mo'Nique, Delroy Lindo, Lucy Liu, Mickey Rourke, Jacqueline Bisset, Dabney Coleman, and Jerry Springer.

**Doom** (R for profanity, gore, and graphic violence). Futuristic action oriented sci-fi, based on the computer game Doom III, revolves around the plight of a squad of Space Age Marines marooned on Mars where they find themselves quarantined at a remote research station after a scientific experiment goes horribly wrong. Set in 2145, with The Rock in familiar role as tough-as-nails sergeant.

**Dreamer** (PG for brief profanity). Kurt Russell and Dakota Fanning team up in this real-life tale about a down-on-his-luck horse trainer whose precocious young daughter inspires him to rehabilitate a once-promising thoroughbred with a broken leg rather than send the horse to the glue factory. With Elizabeth Shue, Kris Kristofferson, and Luis Guzman.

**Elizabethtown** (PG-13 for sex and expletives). Ostensibly inspired by *Garden State*, Oscar-winner Cameron Crowe (*Almost Famous*) wrote and directed this comedy about the unexpected romance which develops between a suicidal shoe designer (Orlando Bloom) and the supportive stewardess (Kirsten Dunst) he meets en route to his father's funeral. Back cast includes Susan Sarandon, Alec Baldwin, and Jessica Biel.

**Everything Is Illuminated** (PG-13 for sex, expletives, disturbing images, and violence). Elijah Wood stars in this roots saga, written and directed by Live Schreiber, as an American Jew who ventures to a Ukrainian village to find the woman who saved his grandfather from the Holocaust.

**Flightplan** (PG-13 for violence and intense tension). Jodie Foster stars in this claustrophobic thriller about a grieving widow whose daughter (Marlene Lawston) mysteriously disappears at 30,000 feet in the air during their flight from Germany back to the United States.

**The Fog** (PG-13 for violence, disturbing images and brief sexuality). Horror film starring Selma Blair (*Scream 2*, *Hellboy*) set in an isolated, California coastal community suddenly haunted by the ghosts of the sailors who had perished in a shipwreck there 100 years earlier.

**The Gospel** (PG for suggestive materials and mild epithets). Musical tale of redemption about a sinner (Boris Kodjoe) who abandons Atlanta and his Christian family to find fame and fortune as an R&B singer. Prodigal Son returns when he learns that his father (Clifton Powell) is terminally ill. Featuring spiritual soundtrack by Kirk Franklin and performances by Yolanda Adams, Martha Munizzi, Delores 'Moms' Winans, and Fred Hammond. Cast also includes Nona Gaye, Tamyra Gray, and Keisha Knight-Pulliam.

**The Greatest Game Ever Played** (PG for brief profanity). Historical docudrama recounts the heroics of 20 year-old, golfing star Francis Ouimet (Shia LeBeouf), an amateur from the working-class who, in 1913, against seemingly insurmountable odds, defeated defending British champ Harry Vardon (Stephen Dillane) in the U.S. Open.

**A History of Violence** (R for brutal violence, graphic sexuality, nudity, profanity, and drug use). David Cronenberg directs this crime thriller about a happily-married pillar of a small Midwestern community (Viggo Mortensen) who lands the unwelcome attention of some out-of-town mobsters (William Hurt and Ed Harris) after he single-handedly thwarts a robbery of his diner by slaying a couple of cold-blooded killers.

**In Her Shoes** (PG-13 for sex, expletives, and mature themes). Oscar-winner Curtis Hanson (*L.A. Confidential*) directs this adaptation of the Jennifer Weiner best seller of the same name about the sibling rivalry which separates a couple of sisters, one, a successful Philadelphia lawyer (Toni Collette), the other, an illiterate, irresponsible party girl (Cameron Diaz). With Shirley MacLaine as the girls' long-lost, grandmother who does her best to mend the rift via reconciliation at a family reunion.

**Into the Blue** (PG-13 for intense violence, drug use, sex content, and profanity). Action adventure about deep sea divers in search of buried treasure from a shipwreck who find themselves caught up with a drug cartel after finding illegal contraband from a sunken airplane. With Paul Walker, Scott Caan, Jessica Alba, and Josh Brolin.

**Kiss Kiss, Bang Bang** (R for sex, expletives, nudity and violence). Crime caper about a crook (Robert Downey, Jr.) from New York who escapes to Los Angeles where he masquerades as an actor only to be embroiled in a murder mystery with a gay detective (Val Kilmer) and an aspiring actress (Michelle Monaghan). Title taken from late film critic Pauline Kael's succinct explanation of the universal appeal of the cinema.

**National Lampoon's Barely Legal** (R for graphic sexuality, crude humor, profanity, and underage alcohol abuse). Film about three high school sophomores (Erik von Detten, Tony Denman and Daniel Farber) who hatch a plan to shoot their own porno film in a basement.

**North Country** (R for violence, profanity, and scenes of sexual harassment). Based on the best seller *Cross Action: The Story of Louise Jensen*, Charlize Theron stars in this fictionalized account of a true tale of female empowerment as a fed-up physically and mentally abused mineworker who, in 1984, won a landmark sexual harassment lawsuit.

**Oliver Twist** (PG-13 for disturbing images). Roman Polanski directs 25th adaptation of the Charles Dickens Victorian classic about the misadventures of an orphan-turned-thief (Barney Clark) kicked to the curb after asking for a second-helping of gruel who ends up in the clutches of a sinister thief (Ben Kingsley) in charge of a gang of children he trained as pickpockets. With Harry Eden as the Artful Dodger.

**The Prize Winner of Defiance, Ohio** (PG-13 for profanity, disturbing images, and adult themes). Julianne Moore stars in this true story, set in the fifties, as a jingle-writing housewife who figured out how to feed her 10 kids on 25 words or less. Expanded cast includes Woody Harrelson, Laura Dern and Nora Dunn.

**Proof** (PG-13 for sex, expletives, and a drug reference). Gwyneth Paltrow stars in the adaptation of the Pulitzer Prize-winning play of the same name as the daughter of a brilliant but mentally-ill mathematician (Anthony Hopkins). With the help of one of her father's students (Jake Gyllenhaal), she tries to deal with the possibility that she might have inherited his insanity.

**Serenity** (PG-13 for intense violence and sexual references). Science fiction film based on the short-lived, Fox-TV series *Firefly*. Set 500 years in the future, this apocalyptic adaptation revolves around the efforts of the crew to survive aboard a spaceship captained by a veteran (Nathan Fillion) from the losing side of an Intergalactic war.

**Shopgirl** (R for sex and expletives). Adapting his own novella of the same name, Steve Martin stars in this romantic comedy as a wealthy, worldly-wise older man who finds himself in a love triangle with a cute, Saks Fifth Avenue cashier (Claire Danes) torn between him and a broke slacker (Jason Schwartzman) her own age.

**The Squid and the Whale** (R for sex and expletives). Dysfunctional family drama, set in Brooklyn in 1986, focuses on the emotional fallout visited upon the 12 and 16 year-old sons of an unhappily married couple (Laura Linney and Jeff Daniels) going through a messy divorce.

**Stay** (R for profanity and disturbing images). Psychological thriller about the efforts of an Ivy League professor to prevent one of his students from committing suicide. Cast includes Ewan McGregor, Ryan Gosling, Naomi Watts, Kate Burton, Bob Hoskins, Janeane Garofalo.

**Two for the Money** (R for sex, violence, and profanity). Psychological crime thriller about a clairvoyant, former football star (Matthew McConaughey) who teams up with a high-rolling, Manhattan-based bookie (Al Pacino) until he tires of the manipulation and takes to his boss' wife (Rene Russo).

**Waiting** (R for crude and sexual humor, profanity, and drug use). Coming-of-age comedy, set at Shenanigans, a mythical chain restaurant where a young waiter (Ryan Reynolds) is re-evaluating his career options after being stuck in a dead-end job for four years. With Ana Faris, Chi McBride and Luis Guzman.

**Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were Rabbit** (G). Another stop-action animated feature from the British who brought us *Chicken Run* five years ago. Already the subject of three short cartoons, this first full-length feature chronicles the efforts of a humane pest controller and his loyal pet dog to find the beast which has been ravaging their town's vegetable gardens. With voicework by Peter Sallis, Ralph Fiennes and Helena Bonham Carter.

—Kam Williams

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# Sports

## Tiger Football Digs Out of Early Hole But Rally Falls Short in Loss at Brown

It would have been understandable if the Princeton University football team had taken the easy way out last Saturday at Brown.

Playing in a driving rainstorm and getting battered by bruising Brown running back Nick Hartigan, the Tigers trailed by 17-0 with 3:44 left in the first quarter.

A less determined team would have folded its tent and taken its whipping before rushing back to its heated bus for the long ride home.

Instead, Princeton kept its cool in the face of the storm and the Brown onslaught. "There was no panic," recalled Princeton head coach Roger Hughes. "Even when we were down 17-0, we were taking things one play at a time."

Sure enough, Princeton started to make some plays as it chipped away at the Brown lead. On the Tigers' third possession, senior receiver Greg Fields ignited things as he rushed for 10 yards and then made a 23-yard reception to get Princeton into Brown territory for the first time all afternoon.

Showing his running ability, junior quarterback Jeff Terrell ran for 38 yards and then recovered his fumble in the end zone to get the Tigers on the board.

Led by its quarterback Joe DiGiacomo, the Bears built the cushion back up to 17 points as he found Lonnie Hill on a 36-yard scoring strike.

On Princeton's next possession, junior full-back Rob Toresco provided a big spark as he raced down the sideline on a 45-yard run that put the Tigers on the Brown three yard line. Princeton then went into its no-huddle offense and Terrell hit tight end Jon Dekker for a two-yard touchdown pass.

Going into the locker room trailing by 24-14 at the half, the Tigers had new life. Hitting the field after the intermission, the Tigers showed that energy right off the bat.

With the resourceful Terrell taking off on an 18-yard scamper and then hitting Brian Shields on a 22-yard pass play and finding Toresco on a 34-yard strike, Princeton was knocking at the door. Toresco finished the 82-yard march as he bulled in for a 2-yard touchdown plunge to narrow the gap to 24-21.

After holding Brown to a three downs and out, the Tigers got excellent field position as they took over possession at the Brown 37.

Terrell hit Dekker for 10 yards and then the speedy Fields sprinted 24 yards to get Princeton on the Brown three. Terrell scored his second touchdown of the contest as he plunged in from the one.

So with 21 unanswered points in just over 16 minutes of play, Princeton had amazingly fought all the way back to lead the Bears 28-24.

But Brown answered back as DiGiacomo led the Bears on an 81-yard scoring march which culminated with his five-yard touchdown pass to David Turner.

With the field becoming a nearly unplayable quagmire, that last score proved to be the difference as Brown held on for a 31-28 win before 5,031 hardy fans.

In reflecting on the disappointing setback, Hughes praised All-American running back Hartigan, who ended up



**MULTI-TASKING:** Princeton University wide receiver Greg Fields races up the field in a recent game. Fields showed his versatility last Saturday at Brown as he piled up 40 yards rushing, 47 yards receiving, and 88 yards on returns. Fields' heroics helped Princeton rebound from an early 24-7 deficit but the rally fell short as Brown hung on to edge the Tigers 31-28. Princeton, now 3-2 overall and 1-1 in Ivy League play, plays at Harvard this Saturday.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

with 245 yards rushing, for putting the Tigers in a hole.

"I give Hartigan all of the credit," said Hughes, whose club fell to 3-2 overall and 1-1 in Ivy League play with the loss.

"The conditions were in his favor and he took full advantage of that. They have a great running game and they were able to get it going. We also made some offensive miscues that hurt us; we had some bad penalties."

Hughes was proud of how his team battled back from that early deficit. "We fought back," asserted Hughes, whose team was outgained 451 yards to 351 on the afternoon by Brown which moved to 4-1 overall and 1-1 in Ivy play.

"The defense got used to the conditions and started playing their schemes better. Their quarterback is good but we were playing hard and making adjustments."

Princeton also has a good quarterback in Terrell, who showed superb composure in getting Princeton back in the game. The 6'3, 220-pound native of Chagrin Falls, Ohio did it with his left arm and legs as he hit on 13-of-24 passes for 173 yards and a touchdown and rushed for 74 yards and two touchdowns.

"They were bringing the heat on Jeff," said Hughes, whose other offensive spark-plug was Fields with 40 yards rushing, 47

yards receiving, and 88 yards on returns. "It turned into an option game and he showed some great decision making."

Despite the loss, Princeton's Ivy League fate is still in its hands. With Yale and Penn currently at 2-0 in league play and coming up on Princeton's schedule, the Tigers can earn at least a share of the title if they reel off five straight wins to end the season.

The first step in that process will be a stiff test to say the least as Princeton heads up to Harvard (3-2 overall, 1-1 Ivy). The Tigers are mired in a nine-game losing streak in the series, with their last win over the Crimson coming in 1995.

"We haven't beaten those guys in a while," said Hughes. "The last two games up there were very close. Our seniors are looking to get a win."

Hughes is confident that the team can get over the hump against Harvard. "We have our league destiny in our hands," added Hughes. "We feel like we missed an opportunity last Saturday. It's just a play here or a play there. We just need to clean things up a bit."

While last Saturday's rally fell short, Princeton has shown that it is not about to take the easy way out. —Bill Alden



**HARD TO BEAR:** Princeton University quarterback Jeff Terrell looks for an opening in action earlier this season. Last Saturday at Brown, Terrell hit on 13-of-24 passes for 173 yards and a touchdown and rushed for 74 yards and two touchdowns but it wasn't enough as the Bears edged Princeton 31-28.

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## Showing Improvement on Penalty Corners Tiger Field Hockey On Verge Of Ivy Crown

Since this past spring, Princeton University field hockey coach Kristen Holmes-Winn has burned off the ears of her players in pushing them through drill after drill to help sharpen their play on penalty corners.

The Tigers showed last Friday that they had gotten the message loud and clear as they scored on three of 11 penalty corners to earn a critical 3-0 win at Brown.

The victory left Princeton at 5-0 in Ivy League play and in control of their destiny as they have now posted wins over the next three teams in the standings, Cornell (4-1 Ivy), Brown (2-2 Ivy), and Dartmouth (2-2 Ivy).

In assessing the triumph in the rain at Brown, Holmes-Winn praised her team's progress on penalty corners. "We've grown a lot in that area," said Holmes-Winn, who is in her third year guiding the Tigers.

"It's great to see what we've been doing in practice is now showing up in the games. We have looked really good on penalty corners in practice but then we've gone into games and not done as well."

Although Princeton may have struggled to convert on their chances, they have risen to the occasion in Ivy contests, outscoring league foes 17-2 so far this season.

"Our performance against Ivy League teams has been consistent," said Holmes-Winn, who was disappointed that the Tigers couldn't build on the Brown win as they fell 2-1 in overtime at Boston University last Sunday to drop to 6-8 overall on the season. "The girls have no problem getting up for those games. We haven't been able to get as excited for our non-conference games."

One Tiger who has been providing a lot of excitement lately is Paige Schmidt. The sophomore midfielder has emerged as Princeton's top offensive threat with a team-high 21 points on eight goals and five assists.

"Paige's shot has really been coming on," said Holmes-Winn of Schmidt, who had two goals in the win over Brown and tallied Princeton's only goal in the loss to BU. "A lot of her points are coming off of penalty corners. We knew she could score; it's great to see it happening."

Another thing that Holmes-Winn has enjoyed seeing is the increasingly sharp play of junior goaltender Allison Nemeth. The shutout against Brown was the fourth in 11 starts for Nemeth, who has a 1.82 goals against average.

"Allie is really playing solid-



**CLOSING IN:** Princeton senior midfielder Hillary Schmidt, right, battles a Yale player for possession in the Tigers' recent win over the Bulldogs. Schmidt's younger sister, Paige, came up big last Friday scoring two goals to help Princeton win 3-0 at Brown. The win put the Tigers in the driver's seat in the Ivy race as they are 5-0 in league play with wins over the next three teams in the standings, Cornell (4-1 Ivy), Brown (2-2 Ivy), and Dartmouth (2-2 Ivy). In upcoming action, Princeton plays at Harvard this Saturday. (Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

ly," asserted Holmes-Winn. "She's really been leading things back there for us. She organizes our defense. The other teams have been getting stopped higher up the field and a lot of the credit for that has to go to Allie."

Holmes-Winn credits a trio of freshmen, Holly McGarvie, Candi Amer, and Sarah Reinprecht, with giving the team a lift. "They have been three of our most consistent players," maintained Holmes-Winn. "I can count on two hands the number of times Candi and Holly have lost the ball this season."

As Princeton heads into another critical road trip with a date at Harvard this Satur-

day, Holmes-Winn is looking for her club to be more opportunistic.

"We have to continue building our attack," said Holmes-Winn. "We need a balance between north-south and east-west. We get a little too linear at times. It sounds simplistic but that's the meat of the attack. We definitely have not played our best hockey yet this season. We have learned some valuable lessons along the way."

If Princeton can keep rolling through its league foes, it will could get the chance to apply those lessons on a national stage in the NCAA tourney.

—Bill Alden

## Tiger Women's Volleyball Tops Seton Hill 3-0

Rebounding from a tough Ivy League road trip, the Princeton University women's volleyball team topped Division III power Seton Hill 3-0 last Monday.

Jenny Senske had 39 assists and 13 digs to help the Tigers to a 30-20, 30-11, 30-25 victory. The win improved Princeton to an 11-5 overall record.

Over the weekend, Princeton fell 3-0 at Cornell on Friday before suffering a 3-0 setback at Columbia two days later. The loss left Princeton at 2-3 in Ivy play, tied with Columbia for fifth place in the league standings.

In upcoming action, the Tigers host Brown on October 21 and Yale on October 22.

## Tiger Men's Water Polo Whips George Washington

Led by senior star John Stover, the Princeton University men's water polo team won 12-6 at George Washington last Sunday.

Stover fired in four goals as Princeton improved to 15-8 overall and 7-3 in the CWPA Southern Division. Reid Joseph, Mike McKenna, and Nicholas Seaver scored two goals apiece.

Princeton will next be in action when it hosts Queens on October 20.

## Tiger Women's Runners 7th At Pre-National Meet

Cack Ferrell's big effort propelled the Princeton University women's cross country team to a seventh-place finish in the "White" race last Saturday at the 2005 Pre-Nationals held

at Indiana State University in Terre Haute, Ind.

Ferrell cover the 6,000-meter course in a time of 20:24.3 to finish third in the individual standings. The Tigers also got strong performances from Catha Mullen, who took 31st, and Mia Swenson, the 45th-place finisher.

In other action Saturday, other members of the women's team ran to victory at the Leopard Invitational in Easton, Pa. Katie Gose finished fifth in the individual standings while Claire Filloux was sixth and Kim Bonner took eighth.

## Princeton Men's Runners Take 11th at Pre-National

Sparked by Frank Macreery, the Princeton University men's cross country team took 11th at the "White" race at the Pre-Nationals last Saturday at Indiana State University in Terre Haute, Ind.

Macreery took 18th in the individual standings, covering the 8,000-meter course in a time of 24:13. David Nightengale was Princeton's next finisher, coming in 31st.

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## Quarterback Mitko Shakes Off Early Dizziness To Help PHS Football Stun Notre Dame 20-0

Midway through the second quarter last Saturday, Princeton High quarterback John Mitko's head was spinning, forcing him out of the action as the Little Tigers battled visiting Notre Dame.

With PHS deadlocked 0-0 with the powerful Irish, Mitko reluctantly sat on the bench as the training staff tried to figure out what was wrong with him.

Mitko watched as senior star receiver Ben Guervil plucked a floating ball from back-up quarterback Anthony Brown and raced 54 yards to put PHS up by 6-0 at the half.

Fortified by a loaf of bread, some glucose pills, and Gatorade after trainers determined that Mitko's dizziness was caused by a light breakfast, the 5'7 junior quarterback returned to the field with a vengeance in the second half.

Showing that his arm was fine, Mitko hit Guervil with a 66-yard scoring strike down the sideline as PHS stretched its lead to 14-0. Minutes later, junior tailback Alex Henriques broke free for a 74-yard touchdown gallop that put the game out of reach.

By the end of the afternoon, the heads of the Notre Dame players were spinning as they trudged off the field among PHS fans revelling in their team's stunning 20-0 whipping of the Irish.

It was PHS' first win over Notre Dame since November 1980 and it was just the Irish's second loss in CVC play since October 1999.

As he grabbed a bag of crackers from PHS trainer Shannon Koch, Mitko basked in the glow of the win. "It's huge," said a smiling Mitko, reflecting on an afternoon which saw PHS outgain the Irish 336 yards to 191 as it won its third straight game to improve to 3-2.

"We had a bye week last week and we were anxious to play, everybody was ready to go. The extra week gave us time to plan and to make sure that everybody was ready. We're still bonding with each other. We put a lot of emphasis on this game; we stood up today."

Mitko has certainly stood tall in assuming the unenviable

role of replacing star quarterback Vinny Giacalone, now playing on the college level at Carnegie Mellon.

"People doubt me but I just try to go out and do my best," said Mitko, who hit on 5-of-7 passes for 78 yards in the win over the Irish. "Vinny is a good friend of mine; we're really close. He helps me out a lot; he calls me before every game."

While Mitko has developed a rhythm having now thrown for 768 yards this season, he admitted that it took him some time to develop a comfort level.

"In the Ewing game, things were moving fast; I couldn't get comfortable and settle down," recalled Mitko, referring to PHS' season opener. "In the Lawrence game, I was able to drop back. In the Steiner game, we came from behind and the O-line played the best it had all year until today. I was able to sit, wait, and pick who I wanted to throw to. After that, everything felt really comfortable."

An ecstatic PHS head coach Steve Everette was more than comfortable with his team's performance last Saturday. "We've got the No. 1 offense in the county and we showed why we are No. 1," asserted Everette, who ran over to the PHS bleachers at one point late in the game to whip the crowd into a frenzy.

"Our big play capability sure helped us out today. But you know what, I think our defense played an outstanding game. We forced some bad throws, we got some turnovers; we were just very, very physical today."

The talents of Mitko, Guervil, and Henriques added the spice to go with the big hitting.

"We have some dynamic skills players," said Everette, who got three catches for 122 yards from Guervil and 153 yards rushing from Henriques.

"John is a 5'7 quarterback and he's dynamic. Ben is a dynamic receiver. He made some super-huge plays and we just fed off of that. Alex is a dynamic running back. We



**IRISH STEW:** Princeton High junior running back Alex Henriques, left, races down the field last Saturday on the way to a 153-yard rushing performance in PHS' 20-0 win over Notre Dame. Henriques scored on a dazzling 74-yard run late in the third quarter to put the finishing touches on the Little Tigers' first win over the Irish since 1980.

(Photo by Bill Allen/AJ SportAction)

had another game where we had over 300 yards of total offense; that's something for high school football."

PHS has shown a quick learning curve as it has bounced back from an 0-2 start. "Early in the year, we were really young," said Everette, whose team has now posted two straight shutouts with the win Saturday and its 41-0 romp over Allentown on October 7.

"We had a first-year starter at quarterback and we had other first-year starters on the offensive line. We would make a lot of mistakes. This week, we didn't make those mis-

takes. We were able to capitalize on their mistakes. When we got in trouble on offense, we held on to the ball and punted and then went and played defense. The quarterback understands that he's not going to make every play."

As Everette soaked up the raucous celebration swirling around him, he noted that PHS needs to make a lot more big plays if it is to have a successful season. "We still have a whole lot of work to do," said Everette, whose team hosts 1-5 Hopewell Valley this Saturday.

"We're just one game over .500 so we have work to do to reach our ultimate goal which is to make the playoffs. This is

just one more step. We have a tough road to hoe."

Mitko, for one, was not about to get carried away by the sweet win over the Irish. "For today, we can enjoy this," said Mitko. "After that, we need to get it out of our heads and stop talking about it. We have to get past this game and make sure that we don't come out against Hopewell thinking that we have already beat them. The whole team needs to stay focused."

With a cool-headed leader like Mitko at quarterback, there is every reason to expect that PHS will keep taking care of business.

—Bill Alden



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**BRIGHT FUTURE:** Princeton High second doubles player Liz Haughton prepares to fire a forehand last Friday in the Central Jersey Group III final against Wall Township. Haughton and partner Liana Dorman, both juniors, provided the lone win in the match for PHS as they gutted out a 5-7, 7-6, 7-6 win over Brianne Crines and Collette Crines.

(Photo by Bill Allen/ALJ SportAction)

## PHS Girls' Tennis Hits Wall in Sectional Final, Youthful Lineup Poised for Future Success

While Priya Joshi wasn't happy to lose at second singles for the Princeton High girls' tennis team in the Central Jersey Group III final against Wall Township last Friday, she viewed the match as a valuable learning experience.

"This game is going to really help me improve," said the freshman Joshi, who fell 6-2, 6-1 to Julianne Kasnow as the Little Tigers dropped a 4-1 decision to Wall in a match played at the Jadwin Gym tennis courts.

"It was what I was hoping for even though I lost. I think I played my game. I was a little inconsistent but I was able to move her sideways. If I learned something by losing, I'm better off than before."

With freshman Joshi at second singles and sophomores Alex Willig and Jennifer Yi at first and third singles, the Little Tigers should be better off in the future.

"I'm going to be back for the next three years," noted Joshi. "Next year I want to come back here and win something. Our top singles players are going to be here. We can try again and again. We have more chances."

Joshi has seen marked improvement even within her debut season. "I think my game has improved since the beginning of the year," asserted Joshi, who placed fourth in second singles at the Mercer County Tournament.

"This is as hard as its going to get. I would have been badly crushed if I had played this girl earlier in the season. I learned how to handle power on the serve today. I found a lot of confidence in my shots. I put up a good fight."

PHS head coach Sarah Heyman was happy with how her players fought against Wall, which came into the match ranked in the top 20 in the state.

"We knew going into today's match that it was going to be a tough one," said Heyman. "Their No. 1 and No. 2 players are both seeded in the state singles tournament. I wanted the girls to go out and play their best. They all tried hard; they all put in a good effort."

Heyman was impressed with Joshi's effort. "Priya can play with anyone," maintained Heyman. "She just needs to stay confident and play her game. It's hard when you know that the player on the other side of the net is that

much better than you. Priya was moving her around on the court."

PHS first singles player Willig showed some good moves as she battled Caitlin White hard in the second set before succumbing 6-0, 6-4.

"Alex played a really great second set," said Heyman. "She was hitting the ball deep and angling it to the corners. She has the potential to play with the best of them. She showed that today; a 6-4 second set is no walkover."

The biggest highlight for PHS last Friday was produced by the second doubles team of Liz Haughton and Liana Dorman, who gutted out a 5-7, 7-6, 7-6 win over Brianne Crines and Collette Crines to give the Little Tigers their lone win.

"They are both good athletes, they play other sports," said Heyman, referring to her second doubles pair. "It's been taking them time to understand doubles strategy. You can be a good tennis player and not be good at doubles. They are starting to find their rhythm and starting to work as a team."

For the young PHS squad, whose only seniors are the

first doubles team of Anna Pang and Julie Szymaniak, reaching the sectional finals should be a harbinger of good things to come.

"Any time you get to a sectional final, you are impressed and proud of the result," added Heyman. "They worked really hard to beat WW/P-N in the semifinals. I hope this will be a good experience for them to build on."

And with several key regular season matches remaining, the Little Tigers have the chance to experience some more good wins.

"We just need to go out and win as many matches as we can," said Heyman, whose team topped WW/P-N 4-1 last Monday in regular season play to improve to 10-3 and is slated to host Ewing on October 20. "We have some tough matches left. We're going to play WW/P-N again as well as Hopewell Valley and Allentown."

Joshi, for her part, is primed for the matches ahead. "I think we're going to have some rematches with some good players," said Joshi. "I'm looking for a positive record. I'm at 10-5 right now and I want to keep on going like this, winning more games."

—Bill Alden

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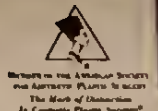
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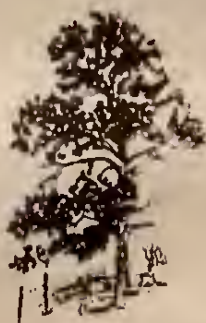
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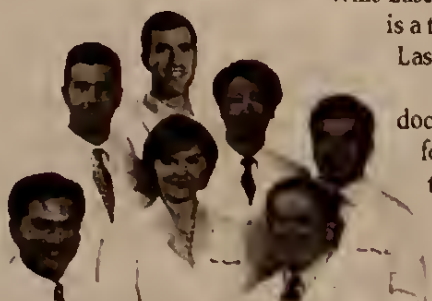
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## Driven by Deep Love of Competition, Markison Primed for Prep Tennis Tourney

It will be a pressure cooker atmosphere this weekend at the state Prep tennis finals at the Pingry School.

The players will be filling the air with shouts and grunts as they try to will themselves to victory in the high-stakes competition.

Pennington School junior and Princeton resident Adrienne Markison, though, will be thriving under the tension.

Starting the game at age three, Markison has long relished the challenges presented by tennis.

"It was kind of slow at first," recalled Markison, who took up the game under the influence of her father Brian Markison, a longtime tennis buff. "I realized by age eight or nine that I hit well. When I was nine, I hit with some pros and older kids and I saw that I could hold my own. I couldn't wait to get started in the 10-and-under tournaments."

Once Markison started playing competitively, it didn't take long for her to taste success.

"It was a lot of fun," recalled Markison. "At that age, you don't know pressure. You just go out and have fun. When I was 10, I played against a 12-year-old who was one of the top-ranked juniors. I didn't win but I played her really well."

Markison has shot up the rankings herself. She is in the top ten in the girls' 16s in the United States Tennis Association (USTA) Middle States rankings. She has also cracked the top 150 in the USTA national rankings.

For the Pennington School,

she has been a star since she walked in the door as a freshman. Markison immediately ascended to the first singles spot, helping the Red Raiders to the 2003 state Prep B crown. She posted a 24-2 record as a freshman and a 26-2 record as a sophomore.

This fall, Markison has posted an 8-2 record so far, having placed third at first singles in the Mercer County Tournament in late September.

Markison, who customarily plays tennis six days a week, is happy with how her game is progressing.

"It's going really great," said Markison, who hits regularly with two teaching professionals and also works out with a speed and agility trainer twice a week. "I beat Kathryn Kitts [of Stuart Country Day], that was big."

As Markison looks ahead to the state Prep tournament, she is looking forward to dueling Kitts, who led Stuart to the state Prep B title last fall.

"It's going to be tough, I'll have to play Kathryn at some point," noted Markison. "It's always a great match when we play. I think the team can do really well."

Markison, for her part, is dedicated to doing what it takes to play as well as possible.

"I think the strength of my game is my forehand," said Markison, who also plays softball for Pennington, fitting that in around her spring tennis training. "I've changed my grin and stroke and it's

helped. I definitely need to work on my volleys. I don't like going to the net; I like playing on the baseline."

With her eye on playing tennis at the Division I level in college, Markison's strong suit is her mentality on the court.

"I love the competition," asserted Markison. "It's so tough and intense."

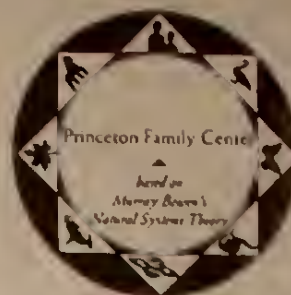
It's a safe bet that Markison will be one of the toughest competitors on the court this weekend at the state Prep competition.

—Bill Alden

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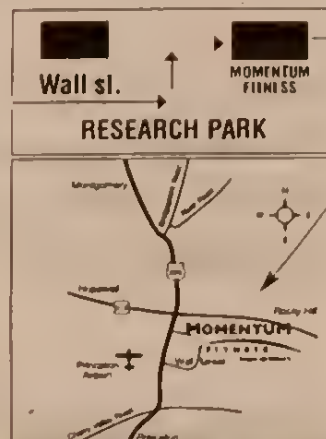
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## Stuart Cross Country Wins Patriot Meet As Supporting Cast Plays Decisive Role

In Robert Abdullah's view, the Stuart Country Day cross country team came into last week's Patriot Conference championship meet in a situation reminiscent of the legendary Chicago Bulls teams of the 1990s.

Looking for its seventh straight conference title, the Stuart Tartans had two top guns in senior Laura Brienza and sophomore Nicole Huber but had to have its supporting cast come through in order to earn another title.

"We have Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen," said Abdullah, who took over as Stuart's acting head coach after Thomas Harrington moved to the Princeton Uni-

versity women's track program in late September. "We knew we had two good runners in Laura and Nicole; we needed numbers three, four, and five to do well."

While Brienza and Huber took their customary star turns, finishing second and fourth, respectively, Stuart's next three, Sasha Levitt, Anais Vaillant, and Carrie Heckel outdid themselves.

With Levitt taking 11th, Vaillant in 12th, and Heckel finishing 13th, Stuart came up with the depth to edge runner-up Ranney School 38-47 and earn the title.

Abdullah was proud of how after Thomas Harrington's supporting cast rose to the occasion. "My number three,

four, and five runners did it," asserted Abdullah.

"These girls have never really stood out in cross country or athletics. Ranney had three girls in the top ten and would usually win it. But our next three were 11, 12, and 13, and their three were in the 20s."

Abdullah acknowledged that each of the girls overcame obstacles on the way to their big effort. "Sasha's never scored in a big varsity meet," said Abdullah. "She has always had problems with injuries. She had a personal record, she really came through. Anais was a tennis player who came out for cross country. Carrie has a breathing problem due to allergies."

Stuart's top scorer, Brienza, overcame some jitters on the way to leading the pack once again for Stuart. "She was as

nervous as I have ever seen her," said Abdullah of Brienza who covered the course at Gill St. Bernards in 20:30. "She stepped up not just for herself but for the team. She doesn't say much but she trains full tilt all the time; she really sets a good example."

The Tartans' second banana, Huber, cemented her reputation as a precocious performer with a 21:53 effort. "Nicole is really talented," asserted Abdullah, whose team competes in a tri-meet against Blair and Lawrenceville on October 22 at Blair. "She is a real student of running; she's always asking questions and trying to figure out how she can get better. Her dad is a coach and you can see where she gets it."

For Abdullah, whose coaching focus has been in the sprinting and hurdling events, Patriot title was particularly rewarding.

"I think I felt more pressure than the girls," said Abdullah with a chuckle. "Thomas left such a legacy and tradition. I'm building trust with the girls. We're learning together. I think they're starting to believe in me."

Like Bulls coach Phil Jackson, Abdullah led his team to a title by getting everybody to buy into their roles.

—Bill Alden



**SEVEN UP:** Stuart Country Day senior cross country star Laura Brienza leads the way in a meet earlier in her career. Last week, Brienza placed second in the Patriot Conference meet to help lead Stuart to its seventh straight Patriot title.

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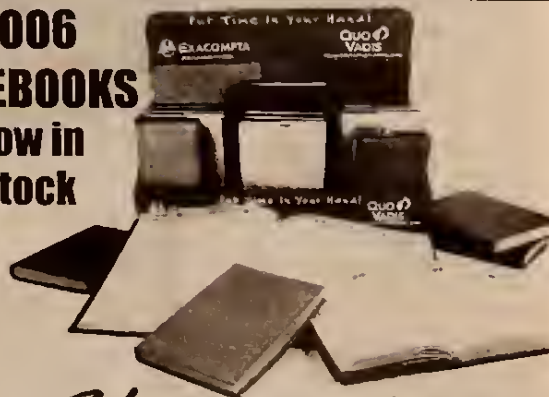
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"I felt it could be a good year for us," said Downey. "We had a bunch of seniors returning who had been together for four years. We had a promising ninth grader in Erik Lefebvre and there were some other surprises in the freshman group. I thought we had enough depth to compete with the other Prep B schools."

Last week, the Panthers showed they could do more than just compete as they ran to the Patriot Conference title in a meet held at Gill St. Bernard's on October 11.

Precocious freshman Lefebvre lived up to his promise as he placed second in a time of 17:46. Senior leader Jeff Moll was just behind Lefebvre, finishing fourth in a time of 17:54.

Showing depth, the Panthers other top finishers included Kevin Suyo in 11th, Senior Garret Helm in 12th, and freshman Mike Melizzo in 14th.

The Panthers' performance at the meet even took Downey by surprise. "Things gelled at the Patriot meet," asserted Downey. "They ran above their potential. At the Newark meet, Gill had two runners ahead of us and Rutgers Prep had two. At the Patriot meet, there was just Taylor Coate from Gill."

It appears likely that not too many people are going to finish ahead of Lefebvre over the next few years. "He ran a 4:59 mile at Timberlane and broke school records there," said Downey.

"I thought he might step in and be a top-5 guy on varsity. He's caught up with our workouts. His biomechanics are good and he's a strong runner. He has a great head for competition, nothing rattles him."

Senior star Moll has been a consistently strong competitor for the Panthers. "Jeff is a great leader," said Downey.

"He's also a rower and that adds to his strength. I thought that so far this season his workouts had been strong but he hadn't raced in a manner that reflected that. He dipped under 18 minutes last Tuesday and I think he reaped the benefits of his excellent training."

Downey was pleased by the excellent performances turned in by his supporting cast. "Kevin has struggled to get into a flow, he did a fantastic job coming in 11th," added Downey.

"Helm ran cross country in middle school but didn't come out for the varsity until this year. He has a lot of room for improvement. Mike Melizzo is a dark horse. He's a young-looking freshman with a beautiful stride."

Downey is hoping the Patriot crown will be a springboard to more success the rest of the fall. "I think it will build confidence," maintained Downey. "I'd love to see these

guys keep improving at the big meets. If the two freshmen and Helm can keep improving we could gel into a nice team. I see us as a top-three team at the Prep B meet."

PDS also appears to be well-stocked to make some noise for seasons to come. "The nice thing is that with the seven guys we took to the Patriot meet, we have other freshmen beating down the door," noted Downey, whose team has a dual meet at Pennington on October 22 before hosting a tri-meet against Hun and Lakewood Prep on October 25. "We have 10-12 kids in our workout pack. We have good numbers."

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## STUART

**Field Hockey:** Kelly Bruvik notched two goals as Stuart topped Peddie 4-0 last Monday. Jaclyn Gaudioso Radvany and Megan Fitzpatrick also scored as the Tartans improved to 10-0-1. The Tartans play at Pennington on October 19 before starting play in the Mercer County Tournament.

**Tennis:** Stuart didn't drop a set as it cruised to a 5-0 win at Princeton Day School last Monday. In upcoming action,

the Tartans play at the Ranney School on October 19 before competing in the state Prep B tournament.

## HUN

**Football:** Jas Lee Rouson and Angel Clybourn each scored two touchdowns as Hun's offense exploded in a 48-0 rout of visiting Blair last Saturday. Buddy Buckner led the Raider defense as he notched three sacks and one interception. Hun, now 3-2, plays at Peddie on October 21.

**Boys' Soccer:** Marco Chiarello and Andrew Mino scored goals as Hun tied Lawrenceville 2-2 in double overtime last Monday. Hun outshot the Big Red 8-6 as it moved to 7-4-2 on the season. The Raiders play at Peddie on October 21 before starting play in the Mercer County Tournament.

**Girls' Soccer:** A stellar performance by Lindsey Scott propelled Hun to a 3-1 win over Blair last Sunday. Scott scored a goal and had an assist as the Raiders improved to 8-5 on the season. Val Patriarca and Melissa Marino scored Hun's other goals. The Raiders play at Peddie on October 21 before starting play in the Mercer County Tournament.

## PHS

**Boys' Soccer:** Plagued by its continued problems with finishing, PHS fell 1-0 to visiting Lawrence last Friday. The Little Tigers outshot the Cardinals 8-5 but were unable to find the back of the net. The defeat left PHS needing a win and a tie in its next two games in order to qualify for the state tournament. The Little Tigers, who fell to 4-5-1 with the setback, were slated to host at the Blair Academy on October 18 before playing at Ewing on October 20 and then starting play in the Mercer County Tournament.

**Girls' Soccer:** Mustering only four shots, PHS fell 1-0 at Lawrence last Monday. The loss dropped the Little Tigers to 2-8 on the season. PHS

plays Ewing at Mercer County Community College on October 20 before starting play in the Mercer County Tournament.

## LAWRENCEVILLE

**Football:** Hurt again by its sputtering offense, Lawrenceville fell 9-3 to visiting Peddie last Saturday. The loss dropped the Big Red to 1-4 on the season. Lawrenceville is next in action when it plays at the Blair Academy on October 22.

**Field Hockey:** Led by a balanced attack, Lawrenceville topped Hun 4-0 last Monday. Alyse Ruff, Becky Mantell, Sarah McElwee, and Meghan Cicci each found the back of the cage as the Big Red

improved to 7-3. The win was the 200th career triumph for Lawrenceville head coach Martha Gracey, who is in her 16th year guiding the program. In upcoming action, the Big Red play at Moorestown High on October 19 and at Blair Academy on October 22.

## PDS

**Field Hockey:** The Crouse twins, Allie and Nina, scored a goal apiece to help lead PDS to a 2-0 win over Princeton High last Monday. Lindsey Mischner and Emily Cook were credited with assists as the Panthers improved to 11-3 on the season. PDS plays at Hun on October 19 before starting play in the Mercer County Tournament.

**Boys' Soccer:** Sparked by a career day from Jonathan Zindman, PDS routed Morrisville 8-0 last Saturday. Zindman fired in four goals while Patrick Briody and James Cole chipped in two apiece. In upcoming action, PDS, now 4-5-4, hosts Gill St. Bernard's on October 20 before starting play in the Mercer County Tournament.

**Girls' Soccer:** Niki Asimacopoulos and Jaqui Bowen led the way as PDS topped Morristown Friends 4-1 last Monday. Asimacopoulos scored two goals while Bowen had a goal and an assist as the Panthers improved to 7-5. PDS plays at Rutgers Prep on October 19 before starting play in the Mercer County Tournament.



**CLEAR OUT:** Princeton High senior midfielder Rebecca Brunskill slaps the ball down the field in recent action. Last Monday, PHS fell 2-0 to Princeton Day School. Goalie Katie Ashmore had 11 saves to keep the game close as the Little Tigers fell to 2-9 on the season. PHS plays at Notre Dame on October 20 before starting play in the Mercer County Tournament.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)



**BAD BOUNCE:** Hun School junior field hockey star Lyndsey Natale looks to control the ball in recent action. Natale and the Raiders couldn't get untracked last Monday as they fell 4-0 to Lawrenceville. Hun, now 8-4-1, plays at Peddie on October 21 before starting play in the Mercer County Tournament.

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### MCCC Accepting Teams For Soccer League

The Athletics Department at Mercer County Community College (MCCC) is currently accepting applications from area youth soccer teams for its Annual Indoor Winter Soccer League.

The league is open to boys and girls, ages Under-8 to Under-18. The program is sanctioned by the NJ State Youth Soccer Association (NJSYA) and the US Youth Soccer Association (USYS).

All games are played in the MCCC gym on the college's West Windsor campus at 1200 Old Trenton Road. Games run 24 minutes for ages 8-15 and 26 minutes for ages 16-18, and are refereed by US Soccer Federation (USF) referees. Each team plays ten games (five double-headers). Teams are comprised of five floor players and one goalie.

The season runs from December 2 to March 12. The application deadline is noon on October 28. For more information, visit [www.mccc.edu](http://www.mccc.edu) or call (609) 586-4800, x3740.

### Princeton Travel Hoops Tryouts Next Week

The Princeton Recreation Department will host tryouts for its competitive travel basketball teams during the week of October 24 at Princeton High School.

Each age group will have two separate tryout sessions. The tryouts are open to Princeton residents and in some cases to nonresidents who attend school in Princeton.

Teams are being formed in the following age groups: Under-11 Girls, Under-11 Boys, Under-12 Boys, Under-12 Girls, Under-13 Boys, Under-13 Girls, Under-14 Boys, and Under-14 Girls.

To be eligible for a team, one has to have been under that particular age as of August 31, 2005, or if having already turned that age, one must be in the appropriate grade.

For more information about eligibility and schedules, visit the Rec Department website at [www.princetonrec.com](http://www.princetonrec.com) or contact Ben Stentz at (609) 921-9480.

### Princeton Little League 2005 Dinner October 30

The Princeton Little League will hold its annual awards dinner and Board of Directors election on October 30 at the Westin Princeton from 4:30-7:30 p.m.

This banquet features a trophy presentation by the league coaches to each player. The Little League will also be honoring its 2005 District 12 All-Star teams at the event. The Princeton Little League Board elections will be held at the annual dinner.

The cost is \$32 for each adult and \$22 per child. If you need assistance with the costs,

family reduced fees can be arranged. To reserve your box seat, please visit the league website at [www.princetonlittleleague.com](http://www.princetonlittleleague.com) and complete the reservation form.

### PAWS Wrestling Holding Registration

The Princeton Amateur Wrestling Society (PAWS) youth wrestling program is currently accepting registrations for its 2005-06 program.

PAWS is open to boys and girls in grades 3-8 and runs from November 5 through early March. Practices are held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Jadwin Gym wrestling room. There will also be Saturday morning practices in November and December from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The PAWS program participates in the Grapevine League, which holds matches on Saturdays.

The Princeton Recreation Department is also holding its second season of its Tiger Cub wrestling program for boys and girls in grades K-2. The Tiger Cub program starts November 5 and will last 10 weeks and focus on conditioning, stretching, sportsmanship, and following instructions. Practices will be held on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

For more information on these wrestling programs, log onto the Rec Department website at [www.princetonrecreation.com](http://www.princetonrecreation.com) or contact Ben Stentz via phone at (609) 921-9480 or by e-mail at [stentz@princeton-township.nj.us](mailto:stentz@princeton-township.nj.us).

### Dillon Youth Hoops Sign-Up Underway

The Dillon Youth Basketball League is currently accepting registrations from those interested in playing in the program this winter.

The league, which is now in its 35th straight year, is open to boys and girls in grades 4-9 who live in Princeton or go to school in Princeton.

Dillon Basketball is a cooperative effort between the Princeton Recreation Department and Princeton University. All of the volunteer coaches in the program are Princeton students and the games are held at the Dillon Gym on the school's campus.

Each team practices one night per week and plays one Saturday game per week at Dillon Gym on the campus of Princeton University. Practices begin the week of November 28 and games begin on December 3.

Started in the fall of 1971, the Dillon League has offered a recreational basketball outlet to thousands of Princeton children. In 2004/05, there were 367 participants.

The registration fee is \$60 per child for Princeton residents and \$120 for nonresidents that attend school in Princeton. For registration forms and more information, log onto the Rec Department website at [www.princetonrec.com](http://www.princetonrec.com) or e-mail Ben Stentz at [stentz@princeton-township.nj.us](mailto:stentz@princeton-township.nj.us).

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The speaker will be Dr. David Rebovitch, Managing Director of the Rider University Institute for New Jersey Politics, who will discuss his predictions for the upcoming November election.

The meeting is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

The Central Jersey Dance Society is planning a "Salsa Sensation Dance" with a beginner's lesson on Saturday, October 29 at 7:30 p.m. at the Suzanne Paterson Center. The lesson will start at 6:30 p.m., followed by open dancing from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Beginners and dancers of all ages are welcome. No partner is needed. Light refreshments will be served.

Admission will be \$15 for adults, \$11 for students.

For more information, visit [www.centraljerseydance.org](http://www.centraljerseydance.org) or call (609) 273-8986.

The Princeton Chapter No. 459 of AARP, Inc., will meet on Friday, October 21 at 1:30 p.m. at the Kingston Presbyterian Church on Route 27.

The speaker will be Ingrid Reed, director of the Eagleton Institute of Politics at Rutgers University, who will discuss New Jersey politics.

The public is invited. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, call (609) 655-7684.

**Singles Speak Up! Toastmasters**, a chapter of Toastmasters International, will present a talk by Gayle Crist on surviving and thriving as a single, entitled "Successfully Single In Central New Jersey," at 7:30 p.m. on October 28 at the Mary Jacobs Library in Rocky Hill. The meeting will be part of the group's annual Open House, from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Ms. Crist will discuss how to be satisfied with oneself while conducting a search for a life partner, and her successful Internet dating process. She is a Personal Life/Relationship coach based in Doylestown, Pa., trained at the Institute for Life Coach Training. She is a member of the Women's Business Forum, the Philadelphia Area Coaches Alliance, and the Women in Business committee of the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce.

The meeting is free and open to the public.

For more information, call Susan Matson at (609) 448-5434.

The Princeton Chapter of Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc. will meet on Sunday, November 6 at 1 p.m. at The Windrows in Princeton Forrestal Center. The program will be "Winter Landscape" by Karen Wojahn, led by Evelyn Fuhrman.

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**ANSWER:** Are you in or out? Who has the power to determine your worth? You or someone else? Does it come from within yourself or OUTside in the opinions of others? Did you notice that when you were downsized out, that you inner feelings also went down?

You, like many, have given the power to determine your worth to others. You have externalized your worth into what you do, and into what others think of what you do. When you were downsized, you got depressed. If you were to be rehired for more money, then your mood would quickly lift, and all would once again be right in your world.

But, you are thinking of your life backwards. You base your worth on what you do, not on who you are. You would say, "If I do good things, then I am good". I would say, "Because I am good, therefore, I have the ability to do good things." You are more than the sum of what you do.

Think for a minute. What comes first? Without "you", there would be no "do". In business, it is your intelligence and creativity that makes a better product or profit. In marriage, it is your sensitivity and caring that makes you attractive, not the size of your wallet. Why would your kids cry if you died? Because of all that you had produced at work? Or because you loved them so much that you held them when they cried, attended their ballgames, tucked them into bed, and got up in the middle of the night when they were sick?

So, my advice is to take back the power that you have handed over to others. You determine your worth. Of course, you have some weaknesses. Who doesn't? But, by and large, my guess is that you are a nice guy. Inside of you is a mind with which to think, a will with which to love, and a host of qualities like being responsible, reliable, honest, trustworthy, caring, and so forth.

Try to see my words not as another external sign of your worth, but a mirror reflecting back your internal worth. Why do you suppose that you wife has not downsized you? Is it because she is so stupid that she does not yet realize what a loser you truly are? No; of course not. It is because she sees something in you that you do not see. Look deep inside yourself and realize that God did not goof on the day that you were born.

If you can swallow what I am saying, then you will forever be wearing a psychological suit of armor. No longer will the opinions of others have a strangle hold on your behavior. Interestingly, you will actually be freed to be more creative, instead of being scared of innovative ideas that may bring raised eyebrows and criticism from others. Not having to check and recheck to make your work "perfect", you will produce more because you worry less.

So, let your worth be IN, not OUT. Believe in yourself, go out on interviews, and see what corporation will be lucky enough to hire you.

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# OBITUARIES

## Suzanne T. Starace

Suzanne T. Starace, 41, of Princeton Junction, died October 14 in the University Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in Bowie, Md., she was a parishioner of St. David the King Church and an active volunteer in the community, particularly with the Maurice Hawk School Library.

Daughter of the late Robert Taylor, she is survived by her husband of 12 years, Michael J. Starace; two sons, Benjamin and Brian; her mother, Ann Burke Taylor; two brothers, Tim Taylor and Michael Taylor; and a sister, MaryAnn Taylor.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, October 19, at 10 a.m. at St. David the King Church, 1 New Village Road West, West Windsor. A committal service will follow at the Ewing Crematory Chapel, 78 Scotch Road, Ewing.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society of New Jersey, 3076 Princeton Pike, Lawrenceville 08648.

Arrangements are by The Mather-Hodge Funeral Home.

## Lydia Oryshkevich

Lydia Oryshkevich, 81, of Princeton, died October 12 at home.

Born in Lviv, West Ukraine, she resided in Brooklyn before moving to Princeton.

Daughter of the late Nicholas and Carolina Holowacki Jackiw, she is survived by her husband, Dr. Joseph Oryshkevich; a son, Bohdan of New York City; three daughters, Larissa Oryshkevich of Durham, N.C., Zoya Pugh of South Brunswick, and Irina Oryshkevich of New York City; a brother, Roman Jackiw of Boston, Mass.; and five grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Ukrainian Museum, 222 East 6 Street, New York, N.Y. 10003; or to WWFM, P.O. Box B, Trenton 08690; or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of The Mather-Hodge Funeral Home.

## Donald J. Warren

Donald J. Warren, 83, of Vero Beach, Fla., formerly of Princeton and Ewing, died October 10.

Born and raised in Princeton, he attended St. Paul's School and Princeton High School (class of 1940).

He was the son of Frank and Elizabeth Whitlow Warren; his father was a longtime proprietor of grocery stores on Nassau and Witherspoon Streets.

He worked for Princeton University and Langrock's Clothing Store before joining the Army in 1942. He was a surgical technician with the Army Air Force until his honorable discharge in 1946.

After returning to Princeton he worked with his father in the wholesale produce business, counting among his clients Lahiere's Restaurant. He later moved to Ewing Township, where he joined the Utt Distribution Company, eventually establishing his own franchise, Entrepreneur Services.

An avid golfer and swimmer, he spent many summers at his family's bungalow in Manasquan, enjoying the beach and the company of his nieces and nephews. He was a member of the Princeton Social Club and enjoyed their outings. He retired to Florida in 1995, where he became a charter member of the Vista Meadows Golf Club at Vista Royale.

Predeceased by his wife of 42 years, Pauline, two brothers, Francis and Alan, and a sister, Dorothy MacDonald, he is survived by a daughter, Donna Lawrence of Cherry Hill, N.J.; a son, Glenn; a brother, Walter; and one grandson.

Arrangements are under the direction of Lowther Funeral Home, Vero Beach, Fla. Interment will be in Greenwood Cemetery, Trenton, at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Habitat for Humanity, 121 Habitat Street, Americus, Ga. 31709-3498; or to a charity of the donor's choice.

## Memorial Reception For Annie C. Dicke

A memorial reception for Annie C. Dicke, who died October 1, has been scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Sunday, October 30 at MacLean House on the Princeton University Campus.

## Miriam E. Rothman

Miriam E. Rothman, 72, of Princeton, died October 16 at University Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in England, she came to the United States in 1949 and lived in Staten Island before moving to Princeton 20 years ago.

She was educated at Oxford University and at fashion and art schools in London and New York. An entrepreneur, she owned many small ventures including a restaurant, a jewelry business, and a professional personal assistant company in Princeton named Beck and Call.

She was a volunteer in Staten Island at the Children's Theater, the Jewish Community Center, and the Mental Health Society, where she was the chairperson of entertainment at the annual Family Holiday Fair.

Daughter of the late Irene and Sydney Kennedy, she is survived by two daughters, Amy Covello of Princeton and Nina Fairchild of Medford; a sister, Frances Anderegg of Buzzards Bay, Mass.; and three grandchildren.

A period of visitation will be observed this Friday, October 21, from 4 to 6:30 p.m., followed by a Service of Remembrance at 6:30 p.m., at The Kimble Funeral Home, 1 Hamilton Avenue.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Multiple Sclerosis Society, 246 Monmouth Road, Oakhurst, N.J. 07755.

## Frances L. Rossi

Frances L. Rossi, 90, of Princeton, died peacefully on October 11 at Merwick Rehab Hospital and Nursing Care.

A lifelong resident of Princeton, she graduated from Princeton High School and attended Rider College. She returned to college later in life and received her degree from Mercer County Community College at the age of 70.

An avid gardener, she also loved cooking for her children and grandchildren, caring for her cats at her home on Snowden Lane, and traveling with family.

She was a member of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church.

The daughter of the late Nicholas and Marie Antoinette Cevera, wife of the late Louis W. Rossi, Sr., and sister of the late Anthony Cevera, Jenny DiMassa, and Albert Cevera, she is survived by a son, Louis Jr. and a daughter, Mari Daetwyler, both of Princeton; a son, John; two sisters, Mary Sculerati of Seaside Park, N.J., and Catharine Rhubarb; and three grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated October 15 at St. Paul's Church. Burial was in Princeton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church, 214 Nassau Street, Princeton 08542.

## Kathryn P. Schmidt

Kathryn Phillips Schmidt, 63, of West Windsor, died October 13 at home following a struggle with cancer.

Born and raised in Rosendale, Wis., she received a B.S. in economics and a master of science in nutritional science from the University of Wisconsin.

While at the University of Wisconsin she met and married John Schmidt in 1968; they moved to Princeton the following year.

She worked as a dietician at St. Peter's Hospital in New Brunswick and had dietary positions with Mercer County and the State of New Jersey.

Predeceased by her brother, Sydney Phillips, and her parents, Jesse and Marie Phillips, she is survived by her husband, John, and a son, Michael.

## Heleen C. Johnson

Helen C. Johnson, 86, of Pennington, formerly of Princeton, died October 12 at the University Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in Trenton, she lived in Princeton for 78 years before moving to Pennington eight years ago. She was a graduate of Princeton High School and Rider University.

She was an official court recorder for the U.S. District Court in Trenton for more than 30 years, retiring in 1985.

She was a member of the Lutheran Church of the Messiah in Princeton.

Daughter of the late Joseph and Katherine Poeller Walker and wife of the late Lee "Johnny" Johnson, she is survived by a son, Bryant of Pennington; and a daughter, Lynne Johnson of Lawrenceville.

The funeral service was October 18 at the Wilson-Apple Funeral Home, Pennington, with the Rev. Dr. John M. Goerss, pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Messiah in Princeton, officiating. Burial was in St. Paul's Cemetery.

# RELIGION

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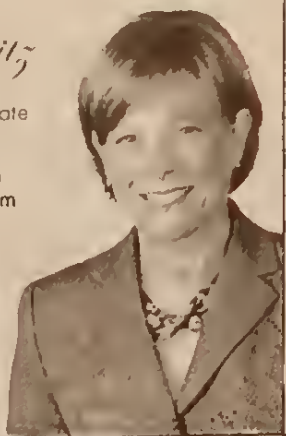
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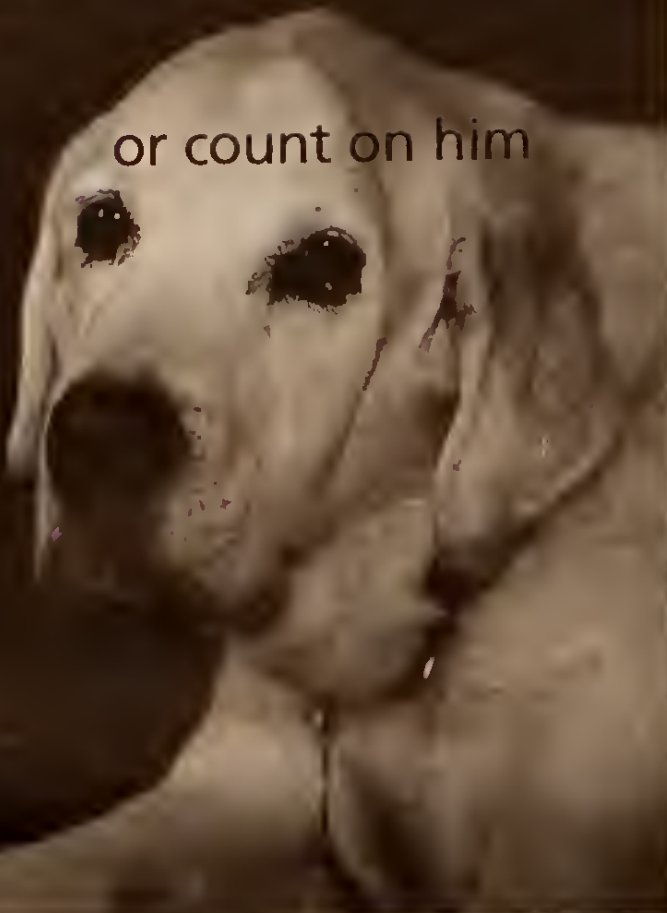
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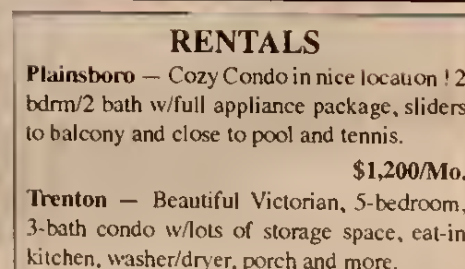
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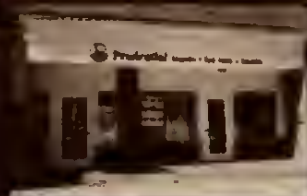
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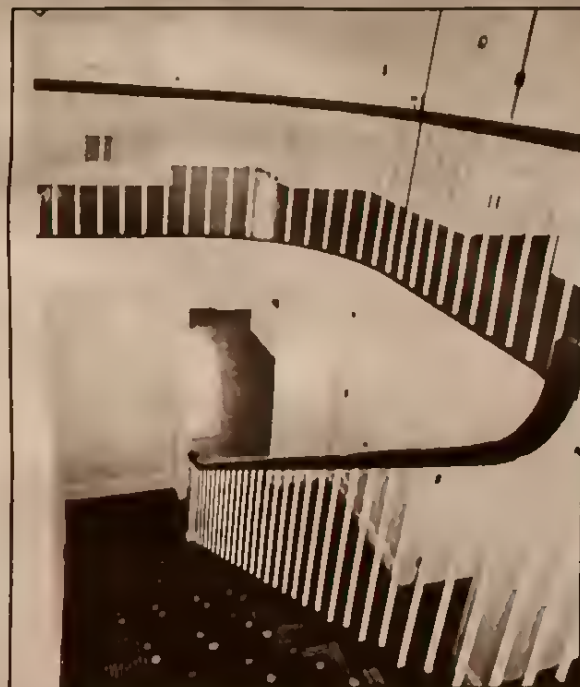


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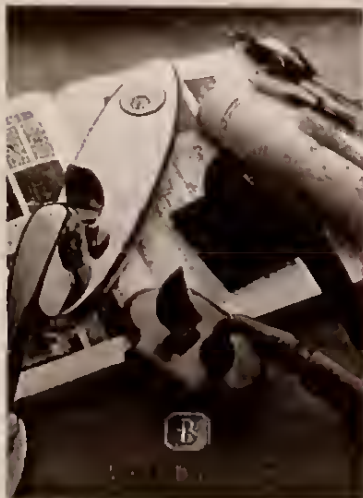
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Invented by a veterinarian, this system is safe and humane, says Keith Betzen, owner of Wireless Deer Fencing, which is based in Indiana. Available in every state in the U.S., as well as overseas, the system has received very successful results in the six years since it was established.

The number of deer posts, which are in a basic green color that blends into the landscaping with minimal visual impact, depends on the size of the yard and amount of deer activity, notes Mr. Betzen. "The object is to put a post wherever you think a deer will find it. In addition to putting perimeter posts on deer paths into the area, you should also position posts in the interior, on their paths, where you see tracks or droppings, and around things they like."

As a general rule, the posts should be placed between five and 25 feet apart. The distance varies widely depending on terrain, existing barriers, landscaping, etc.

Once the deer has been shocked, it will remember and not come back, says Mr. Betzen. "The association of the discomfort of the shock with the smell of the posts will lead to a profound learning experience, and it will not return to the area when it smells the devices."

In addition, he points out, deer are herd animals. When one has been shocked, its startled reaction alerts other nearby deer, and they are also

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#### Major Issue

The practical consideration of keeping deer away or dogs within the yard is a major issue for many homeowners, but in addition, a lot of people enjoy adding a fence to their property because of a desire for more privacy or because they think it will enhance the grounds.

Many possibilities are available, but in the Princeton area, Bolt Welding & Ironworks is often the company of choice for custom decorative wrought iron and aluminum fences, railings, gates, arbors, and trellises.

"We specialize in custom ironworks," says Christopher Hiltey, who has owned the Trenton-based company since 1978. "We are design-oriented and appeal to the discriminating customer, who is looking for added detail, something to make the fence or railing really special. Our whole key is that we design to the residence. We don't offer a generic railing, for example. We also specialize in restoration, installation, and sales of antique ironworks. We do all kinds of adornments, such as finials, garden arches and arbors, and trellises."

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Mr. Hiltey says his work is suitable for a variety of residences, as well as historic buildings and churches, and that styles will differ from house to house. It might be a grand gate with ornately-worked iron, where you would expect to see coats-of-arms and heraldry, or something spare, subtle, and unadorned.

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Mr. Hiltey's work takes him across the state, including Princeton. "People in Princeton often like a traditional look, but we do every design and style, from traditional to contemporary. New houses tend to a more contemporary style, as do those at the shore."

Many examples of Mr. Hiltey's work can be seen in Lambertville, he adds, including fences and railings. "I enjoy the artistic side, creating and installing something that will be there for many years. I'll look at fences in Lambertville that I put in 20 years ago, and they will be there for years to come. You leave a bit of a legacy with your work, and it's nice to be a part of that."

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One way to accomplish any of the above is to convert the garage, whether it is attached or detached, into new needed space. With the help of a qualified builder and designer, this existing structure lends itself well to such a transformation.

"A garage space can be really cool," says Princeton interior designer Gretchen Christie. "It's a nice large space, and there's a lot you can do with it."

"It can be reasonable," adds John Kovacik, owner of K & A Builders in Ringoes, whose company specializes in custom house remodeling, as well as new construction. "You're not doing a foundation or basic structural work. The shell of the space is already there. It can be more reasonable than a whole new addition."

Whatever the project, agree Mr. Kovacik and Ms. Christie, the first thing to determine is the budget. "Determine it early on and then design to it," points out Mr. Kovacik. "There's a big range, and with a creative design/builder, you can do anything. The sky's the limit. We will do everything for you — design/build and control the project."

"The budget and what the space is to be used for are the major considerations," adds Ms. Christie, whose design studio is located on Nassau Street. "Once this is established, we can move forward to create the room to the taste and needs of the client. And you definitely get what you pay for."

### Time Concerns

Whatever the converted garage becomes, time concerns are important to consider for the client. Several months or more — from start to finish — is typical, with another six weeks for interior design help.

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into an office or studio, notes Mr. Kovacik. "Garages by code are at a lower elevation and have concrete floors. You need to put other flooring over it. First, clean and disinfect the floor to get rid of potential mold or mildew. To keep out moisture, put in a proper vapor barrier. Also seal it with a high quality concrete paint, seal any cracks around the perimeter, and insulate it."

Next, plywood is laid down, and then, your flooring of choice — hardwood, tile, carpet, etc. — is the final touch.

Mr. Kovacik also points out that garages are usually without heat or air conditioning. "We have to engineer, design in, and install a heating and cooling system, and we will provide plumbers and heating contractors. Utilities, including electricity, are a major part of the project. You have to upgrade the basic electric to

code for a standard interior finished space and also take into consideration wiring for computers."

Light is another important issue. Depending on the proposed use, light can be major. Certainly for an art studio, it is paramount. In any case, new windows will be a big feature.

"We remove the garage doors," explains Mr. Kovacik. "Depending upon the use of the space, you may still have access from the outside by installing an exterior door and possibly some configuration of windows for light."

#### More Space

He adds that in the case of a detached garage, it is possible to put in a second floor over the garage for even more space.

Not only has Mr. Kovacik been involved in several such garage conversions for clients, he reports that he is about to undertake such a project for his own family, transforming his garage into an expanded

home office, as well as providing additional space for a family room for his teen-aged children.

"Depending on people's needs, this is not an unusual project," he adds.

Ms. Christie likes to be involved in such a project as early as possible, she reports. "It is beneficial to work with the client as soon as the project gets underway, so I can have input. Whatever the purpose of the space, the basic idea is the same — that is, drawing up floor plans, and finding out the client's tastes and needs."

"The garage is a structure and my first inclination is to keep it as a structure. For a home office, you obviously need a desk, computer station, and perhaps, if you're running an E-bay business, you will need shelving. A lot of it has to do with the type of business."

"Since it is a structure and has straight, clean lines, we

will keep that, but adding more light, perhaps putting in a skylight, especially if it is an art studio. And since it is a nice large space, I'd consider putting in a sofa and a cocktail/coffee table, so you can get away from the desk to read, or just get up and stretch your legs."

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"You might even add a cathedral ceiling and make the space look like a library with built-in bookcases and older leather club chairs, especially if it is a man's office" she adds.

Another area is audio/visual. "You can have a CD player built into the cabinetry, and if you're a news junkie, you might want to add a flat screen TV," she points out.

Ms. Christie says it is very important to determine the client's likes and dislikes as to color and texture. "A garage home office is most likely pretty informal, and I would probably suggest painting it in sophisticated rustic, in washed whites to give it life, and to keep it clean-lined and uncluttered. Also, built-in white cabinetry or an antique pine armoire that has a little architecture decoration to it is a great addition. And maybe a shelf to keep copy paper and supplies."

"We start getting color and texture with that, and keep it homey with the sofa, and at the same time get a great modern office chair. But again, it's all about the client's needs and tastes. Depending on that, the sofa might be in a warm, subtle red or blue, black, and white."

"And don't forget pillows," she adds, "They are a nice accent, whatever the room's

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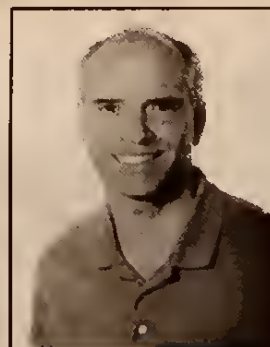
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purpose. They might be antique vintage silk, or leather or suede. And they can be in cool shapes, not the standard look. Little rectangles to give it geometry, for example. Another nice touch is to include an espresso maker — for that all-important coffee break."

Depending on the situation, Ms. Christie can help the client get new furniture or also recycle existing furniture, she points out.

#### Easy Maintenance

While most garage conversions usually do not include a bathroom, Ms. Christie says she would add a sink to an art studio, and she makes the added point of easy maintenance. "Have everything so it can be easily cleaned."

"I would love to work on an art studio," she says enthusiastically. "I would still suggest comfortable chairs and a sofa, in case friends come over, and also the artist might be doing life drawings. I would definitely suggest painting the stu-

dio white and having white cabinetry.

"What I really love," she adds, "is pulling it all together and making a knock-out space that really wows, and makes the client so happy. By virtue of its shape, a garage conversion offers a challenge to make it both really fabulous and workable. But it can be so fun — the way the light hits, the way the color works, or a piece of furniture, and how it all comes together. It's always good to think 'out of the box.'"

Finally, if you are considering such a project, Mr. Kovack offers a few tips about the importance of trust. "Stay out of the yellow pages for a builder. Talk to friends, interview builders and get references before you make a decision. You are buying a trusted relationship. Make sure you trust the builder."

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Many homeowners assume that windows and doors are the major cause of energy wasting air leaks. But according to recent research by the Department of Energy (DOE), gaps, joints, and disconnects in the typical home's duct system are much more significant.

The DOE states that the typical duct system loses 25 to 40 percent of the energy put out by the central furnace or heat pump. Authorities recommend having a heating contractor test for leaks and then seal them with a brushed-on fiber-reinforced sealant. Duct tape usually dries out and fails.

Homeowners should ask their contractor to perform an infiltrator blower door test. The blower door is a computerized instrument originally invented by the DOE. The test pinpoints where your home's worst air leaks are, such as duct leaks, and also measures how leaky the overall house is. Remember to close the fireplace damper when not using the fireplace. Most homes have the equivalent of an open window in combined air leaks. Many heating contractors offer an infiltrator test as part of a whole house health and comfort checkup. Ask the contractors if they provide an infra-red camera scan to pinpoint hidden heat leaks.

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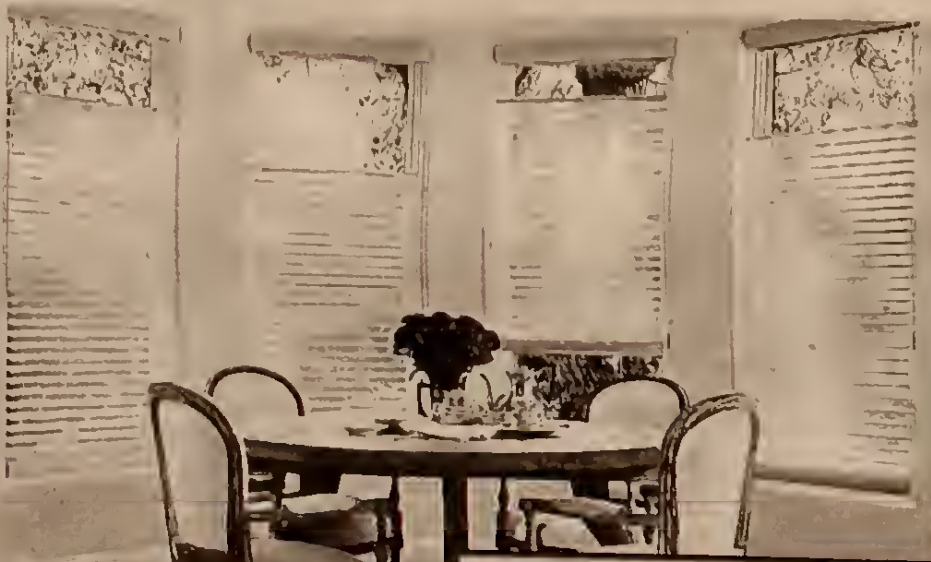
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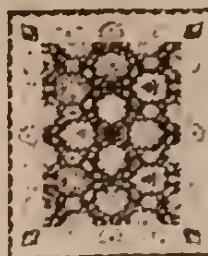
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Mr. Gati formerly owned his own real estate agency and brings more than 20 years of real estate experience to the program. He is an avid videographer and television producer and is a member of the National, New Jersey and

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Ms. Lang has been a real estate professional for more than 19 years and has served as past president of the Mercer County's Top Producer's Association. She is a fine home and relocation specialist and is a member of the National, New Jersey and Mercer County Associations of Realtors.

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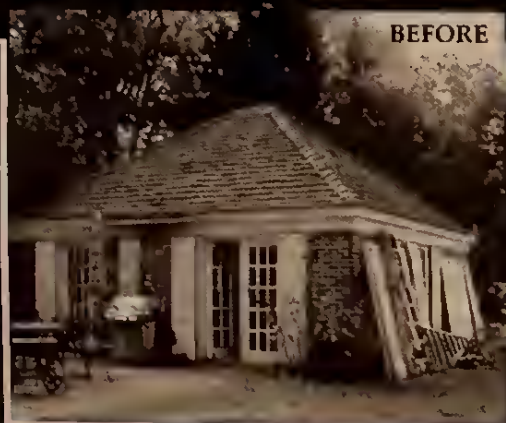
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Residents should have their loose (un-bagged) leaves on paved roadway, out for removal prior to 7 a.m. on the Monday morning of the scheduled week of collection but not more than seven days prior to that date.

**Section I: Loose leaf collection**, week of October 24 and November 21.

**Section II: Loose leaf collection**, week of October 31 and November 28.

**Section III: Loose leaf collection**, week of November 7 and December 5.

**Section IV: Loose leaf collection** week of November 14 and December 12.

For residents who prefer to bag their leaves, the Public Works Department is offering residents 20 free biodegradable bags. Additional bags may be purchased in lots of ten for \$2.50.

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**Section I: Bagged leaf collection** each Monday beginning October 17, 24, 31, November 7, 14, 21, 28, December 5, 12, 19.

**Section II: Bagged leaf collection** each Tuesday beginning October 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29,

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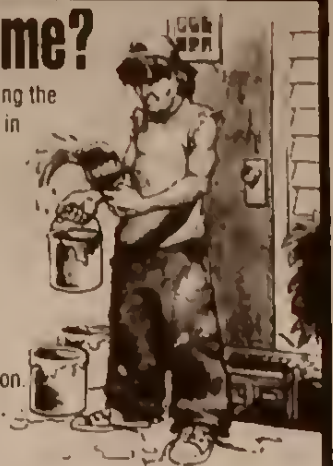


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Isabelle von Boch is a spokesperson for her family's fine china company, Villeroy & Boch and she will be visiting their store in Market Fair on Saturday, October 29. She steps up to the plate, speaks her mind, and shatters a lot of traditional thinking when it comes to how Americans dine. She contends that most Americans are affected by the china syndrome — saving their good china for special occasions when they should be using it everyday.

During her appearance at Market Fair, Ms. von Boch will likely speak about trends in tabletop design, taking cues from fashion, comparing porcelain to bone china, and creating table setting makeovers for different occasions.

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For additional information on Ms. von Boch's visit to Market Fair, call (609) 734-7833.



**THE CHINA SYNDROME:** Isabelle von Boch will dish out advice on how to buy and care for china on Saturday, October 29, at Villeroy & Boch, located in Market Fair. Ms. von Boch's family founded the company 253 years ago in what is now the Lorraine region of France.



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